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INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

THE earliest volume of "Country Correspondence" existing in the records of Fort St. George is that of 1740. There is then a break and the next volume in existence is that of 1748, which is here printed. From this year onwards the series is complete.

The volume now reproduced is in a good state of preservation and the edges of its pages have not suffered from wear and tear, as was the case with the volume of the year 1740. Hence there are few words missing from the text. Against this has, however, to be set the fact that the letters have been copied by a careless or ignorant scribe, who makes many mistakes and whose transliteration of proper names is peculiarly bad. The size of the volume and the paper used in it are the same as in the volume of 1740. As in that case, the documents have been printed as they stand and an index has been added.

Madras having been captured by the French in 1746, Fort St. David was constituted the Chief Settlement of the East India Company on the Coromandal Coast, and Mr. John Hinde was appointed Governor. He died on the 4th April 1747 and his place was filled by the Dy. Governor, Mr. Charles Floyer, to whom the letters in the present volume are addressed.

The year 1748 witnessed several important changes in India. The Emperor Muhammed Shah died on the 16th April and was succeeded by Ahmad Shah. The aged Nizam of Hyderabad, Asaf Jah, also died on the 19th June 1748 and his second son, Nasir Jang, assumed the Government, though the succession was soon disputed. The Nawab of Arcot was Anwar-ud-din, but Chanda Sahib, who had been held a prisoner by the Mahrattas at Sattara since 1741, was released early in 1748 and returned to Southern India, where in the following year he succeeded with the help of the French in defeating and killing Anwar-ud-din and establishing himself for a time as Nawab. The hostilities between the English and French continued throughout the greater part of the year 1748. In June the French made an attack on Cuddalore and Fort St. David which was repulsed, and in August, on the arrival of Admiral Boscawen with a powerful squadron from Europe, the English in their turn advanced against Pondicherry and besieged it for some weeks but had to retire on the commencement of the rains with a loss of over 1,000 men. Shortly afterwards, in November, tidings were received from Europe that the hostilities between the French and English had been suspended in the previous April, and shortly after the close of the year the news of the signing of the peace of Aix-la-Chapelle on the 17th October 1748 reached India. The year 1748 thus marks the close of the first period of the conflict between the French and English in Southern India, a period in which the balance of advantage had been largely on the side of the French.

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

OF

1748

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

No. 1.

FROM SAMBODASS MERCHANT OF MADRASS NOW RESIDING AT CHENGALPET TO THE WORSHIPFULL CHARLES FLOYER ESQ.

RECEIVED THE 3RD JANUARY 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to acquaint you that it is a long time since your Worship has thought of me but on my part I assure you that you are always in my thoughts. I reside in Chengalpet at present and return the Almighty thanks for his Mercy and am in hopes that his Providince will pour upon you his blessing and bring matters to a happy Conclusion in a Short time that the People may Obtain their desires.

When Madrass was in our Possession the Nabob at Arcott was pleased to send his Pervanas to come but I did not Choose to go to him, he has sent Letters lately to me on the same account, but as I did not Choose to go at first I have Neglected it now likewise and repeat my thanks to God for his present direction of my Affairs.

Woosaman Cawn my Gomastah is lately come from Bengall in Company with Cantopher and having left him at your Place came to me to Acquaint me with it. I take this Opportunity to send the said Gomastah to you in Order to bring the said Cantopher and hope you will be so kind as to order him to come to me in Company with the said Gomastah which I shall take as a very great favour. What can I say more.

No. 2.

FROM THE HAVILDAR OF TERVENDY PORUM.

RECEIVED THE 5TH JANUARY 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to acquaint you that I received a Letter from the Governour of Pondicherry this Morning about 9 O'Clock which I now send you by my Vackeel Veeragoya and on perusing the same I hope you will know of all that he writes to me therein. I must Advise you to be Carefull in regard to your Own Force and Army. Pray let me know what I should write in Answer to the said Letter. What can I say more.

No. 3.

To the Hauvildar of Tavendaparam.

Dated the (*sic*) January 1747/8.

I have received your Letter and am much obliged to you for the Contents of it. I must desire you will write in Answer that you will not Suffer any of the Forces belonging to the French to Enter your Limits and you must make an Excuse that you have no Orders from the Circar for it and that if they do come you will remit (*sic*) them to the Utmost of your Power and give them not the least Encouragement as to providing them with Provisions or anything else, and should they come notwithstanding your Letter to the Contrary will take care to Send a Sufficient Force to drive them away. I believe you to be a sincere Friend and Wish you health. What can I say more.

No. 4.

From Ganoopenda Tommiah, Pady Merchant at Vizagapatam, to the Worshipfull Charles Floyer Esqr.

Received the 5th January 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that when I sent my Pady Boats lately to your Port I became a great sufferer by the Difference of Measure at that Place. I used to send my Vessells to Madrass when in your Possession, at which place One Beamelapatam Garse turned out to 195 Madrass Marcals when measured, and as One Madrass Garse is Two Garse of Tevenepatam I dont know what was the reason that the Measure of that place has proved so much to my Loss. I hope therefore you will be so good as to enquire into the matter and Order Satisfaction to be made for my Losses in the Measure.

It happens sometimes that if One Bemelapatam Garse is Measured out in Madrass marcal is procuces (it produces?) to 200 hundred marcals at (? or) more, but never fell short of 195 Marcals; As I have Madrass Marcal by me I have now measured out One Bemelapatam Garse with the said Marcal in the presence of Muppery Chitty's Gomastah, Dossery Timmy Chitty Veneapenda Bendar Develloo Merchants and Seata Ramah Sea gate Dubash at Madrass and it produced 204 Marcals. I have Acquainted Mr. Prince with it and he was pleased to promise to send both Madrass marcal and the measure of these parts to you. I thought proper to acquaint you with it and hope you will find means to give me Satisfaction for the losses Sustained, as I am a Merchant under your protection I made bold to trouble you with this and desire you to take it into Consideration.

No. 5.

To the Worshipfull Charles Floyer Esqr., Governour of Fort St. David.

Worshipfull Sir

I have received your Favours of the 6th & 18th November as that also of the 3d of December last and understand the Contents thereof. You wrote me that you approved of the Agreement I made with Nabob Nausir Jung to pay him 300 thousand Rupees for bringing 1000 Troops of his highness's and acquainted me that you have not Money enough at present nor can prevail of the Shroffs to give Credit for that Sum but promised to Stand to the Agreement and Pay it as Soon a Ship arrives with Money and Ordered me to represent it fully to his highness and request the Sending his Troops away with me with all Speed

But I must inform your Worship that his highness Nausir Jung never will do any favour or business to any Body before he receive ready Money or a Bill of Credit from the hands of the Shroffs, therefore I thought it not proper to Acquaint him what you Advised me.

Sometime before I received your Letters, I Arrived near River Kistna and made a fresh Contract with his highness and likewise with Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn etc., in Order to bring 1000 Troops within the Cost of the Sum of 200 thousand Rupees and Save 100 thousand for the Company. I do now send you an Abstract Account of it and the rest to your Perusal. I did wait for the Money or at least a Bill of the Shroff from your Worship and therefore Accompanied his highness as far as Culbergy 10 days Journey this Side of Averangabaud a great way beyond river Kistna. His highness receiving a Letter from Nizam departed to Averangabaud with all Speed and I could not follow after him any further, he was very much displeased at our not performing either of our Agreement, said that what our Enemys perswaided him has proved true not to depend upon our Promise and that he will not do us any favours or give any presents or an ans^r to your Letter and bid us retire without coming up to him. Meerza Ivezbugg assured me that he cannot do anything with bare Words without money. Whereupon I applied to some of the particular Friends of his highness and represented him by them in the following manner, that the Governour promised to send money up to such a Place as I shall desire him, but his highness marched very Quick Journey after Journey and came a great distance from our Country, there is no fault lyes on us because there is no time to write to the Governour for to Send the Money at this rate I Satisfied his highness and then I borrowed some Money from the Merchants in the Camp and made it a present to his highness so as to please him well the Amount of which I Chuse to inform you myself by word of mouth. His highness has given you a Horse and Seerpaw and an Answer to y^r Letter and One Horse and Seerpaw to the Commodore and he has also given me a present of One Horse and Seerpaw in the presence of all the People to the Great known of Us. (*Sic*)

Your Worship know very well that I brought with me but twenty thousand Rupees, which is now past Six Months and it was not Sufficient only for the Charges. If you had sent me about 50 or 60 thousand Rupees I should be able to manage everything according to your desire. It would take a large sum to make presents only for the Officers and Ministers of his highness at the first Visit. I can hardly Express in the Letter what Troubles and Difficultys I had taken in the Camp about our Business but will inform you everything fully by word of Mouth. By the help of Cauze Dauem a particular Friend of his highness I have procur'd his highnesses Favour and protection to the great Interest of Us and I had got his Phermaunds to all the Kelleydars Pollygars etc., particularly his Positive Orders to Nabob Aneverdean Cawn and Mahomedally Cawn to Stop everything going into Pondicherry by land and Assist Us in everything we desire. I have also got a Pervana to Mahamood Cawn Phousdar of Chellumbrum from his Master Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn to Assist us what lyes in his power and Stop the French passing and repassing from Corrical and Pondicherry thro' Chullumbrum, the Translates of the Phermaunds I sent inclosed to your perusal.

Now his highness is gon a great way Off, I took my leave from him and arrived Safe at Cunnole if you want any Troops from him they 'll certainly take above three Months to arrive at Fort St. David and besides his highness is Proceeding against the Morattas.

The Phirmaunds which I now brought is very Strong to Us and we can thereby make all the Country Governours to be on our Side. If you want a party of Nabob Aneverdean Cawn his Troops and Assistance and also his Perwanas and orders to all the Governours under him for the Same, please to let me know particularly what Number of the Troops you want before I go to Arcott, Aneverdean Cawn will require a present for Sending his Troops and therefore if your Worship please you may Send about 100 or 150 thousand Rupees or Pagodas in room of it by means of Linga Chitty up to Rangapa Chitty Gomastah of Linga Chitty at Arcott without let any body know of it under the Name of it being Sent up for Some Trade of Linga Chittys own, that I will discourse with Aneverdean Cawn and Settle the Bargain by one of the substantial Merchants who Shall give a Bill of Credit to Aneverdean Cawn for what I shall Settle and agree and the Merchants to pay the

Money to him if they find Aneverdean Cawn comply and everything to Our Satisfaction According to Agreement but on the Contrary to pay him None, at their rate if you please I will Settle and Agree with Aneverdean Cawn and bring his Troops to Assist Us. I have Borrowed the Sum of 1000 Pagodas and 6,000 Rupees from One of the Merchants of the Camp for the Charges and I agreed to pay it him at Arcott. I desire your Worship will please to deliver the Said Sum to Linga Chitty and Order him to send it up to his Gomastah Rangapa Chitty at Arcott before I arrive there. I remain with much Respect, Worshipfull Sir,

Dated at Cunnole
Jan'y the 8th Saturday
1747/8

Your most obed^t & obliged humble Servant
BUNDA MOOTAL.

TRANSLATE OF CONTRACTS MADE WITH NABOB NAUSIR JUNG BY MOOTAL.

1st. You must Send 1,000 Horse men of your best Troops to Defend, aid and Assist the English in taking Madrass and Pondicherry and the said Troops are to Stay four Months at Fort St. David from the Date they [are] Sent from you, Behave and act according to their desire and direction and not fall into the device of anybody else to the prejudice of our Business or Commit any Violence upon the Inhabitants.

2dly. You must Send your Perwanas or Orders to Nabob Aneverdean Cawn, Kellydars Pollygars, etc., to prevent and Stop all manners of Provisions going into Pondicherry from the Circar's Country and deliver all the Goods Money Effects People and whatever things the French Conceal'd at them or kept in their Custody up to the English who proving the Same, and also give their Assistance in all things always to the English.

3dly. You must Send your Positive Orders to Mons. Duplex Governour of Pondicherry by a Strong Suzavel or Horseman and demand him to deliver Madrass back to the English with all the Goods and whatever they took Possession of and Send a Receipt of the English Signed by them to you.

4thly. That has I am Carrying your Force to Fort St. David, if the Commodore and Governour Should Write and desire you anything you must Send them your favourable Answers, and you must also desire Nizamal Mullock to Send his Perwanas or Orders to the Undermentioned Persons in the Same manner I desired you to direct them.

5thly. I do agree to make a Present of the Sum of 200 thousand Rupees to Nizamal Mullock and likewise to his Officers for Sending 1000 Horsemen of his Troops and to keep them at Fort St. David to Assist the English in taking the Forts of Pondicherry and Madrass, And One hundred thousand Rupees to your highness, and for this latter Sum I will give you a Bill of the Shroff payable to you and out the rest two hundred thousand Rupees abovementioned I am to pay the Troops 4 Months According to your Order per mensem and Send you what Shall be remained by your Troops at their Return back from Fort St. David.

TRANSLATE OF THE FORM OF A LETTER DELIVERED TO NAUSIR JUNG TO BE WROTE TO NABOB ANERVERDEAN CAWN, SOOBAH OF ARCOTT.

The violences and Hostilitys committed against the English Nation by the French in Betraying Madrass and all the Goods Effects and Money belonging to them and likewise the Merch^ts were represented to Nizamal Mullock and likewise to me in a particular manner concerning which sometime past Nizamal Mullock had sent you a Perwanah. Now I do send a party of my Troops along with Mootal to punish the French recover Madrass and also Pondicherry to the English and has also sent my Possitive Orders to all the Kelleydars, Pollygars of that Parts of the Country. I order you to Send up your Force to Join them and Send your Orders to the Kellydars Pollygars, etc., under your Government to prevent and Stop all manner of Provisions going to the French, and Oblige the said Kelleygars etc., to deliver whatever Goods etc., the French concealed or kept in their Custody up to the English and assist at all times to the English, in everything they desired of you.

To Monsr Duplex, Governour of Pondicherry.

The English Nation and you were come into the Country of our King for to Trade and Commerce in these Parts, and I wonder that you Should Betray and take Madrass, a Settlement has been Enjoy'd Peaceably by the English from Antient times, and also deprive and plunder St. Thome actually belonging to the Circar. If there was a War in Europe between the English and French you Should engage them at Sea, but on the Contrary without considering what will be done to you in future destroyed the said Settlements in the Kings Country. I have now Sent a party of my Troops about it and upon the receipt of this Perwanah and Dustock I would have you directly and immediately deliver Fort St. George to the English with all the Goods and whatever you took possession of with all the English people in your Custody, and take a Receipt of them and Send it up to me by the Suzaval.

Take care of it and do not Commit any such disturbances or be Guilty of the like in future. On the Contrary you shall meet with no good Merits but shall be fallen under a severe Punishment. Observe it as a Strict order and Comply punctually according to this Perwanah.

Translate of Perwanahs to be sent to Meerassedulla Cawn etc., Kellygars and Pollygars undermentioned.

You are hereby ordered to deliver whatever Goods effects Money and people the French conceal'd and kept under your Custody to the English. Permitt no Provisions to be sent to the French of Pondicherry and Madrass, from your Country. Take care to assist and aid the English at all times in everything necessary. Observe it as a strict order and Comply punctually Accordingly to this Perwanah.

To Aneverdean Cawn.
,, Meerassedulla Cawn, Kellydar of Chittapetta and Woldore.
,, Mahomed Tuky Cawn ,, of Wondewash.
,, Moortezally Cawn ,, of Vellore.
,, Errashett Cawn ,, of Satagudah.
,, Vancatarow ,, of Arney.
,, Subdarhossain Cawn ,, of Culvory.
,, Hussain Cawn Toyer ,, of Wolgondah.
,, Joinadally Cawn ,, of Aumbore.
,, Mahomedally Cawn ,, of Trichinopolly.
,, Pratap Shing King of Tanjore.
,, Woriar of Woriapollum.
,, Ninary pollygar of Arialore.
,, Bundary d^{o} of Vantavalum.
,, Damerlavancatapa Naigue.
,, Bangar Yatchem Naigue.
,, Nabob Abdul Nabee Cawn, Govr of Chellumbrum etc.
,, Nabob Himilt Bahawder Cawn.
Governour of Chayore.

Translate of an Agreement Bond given to Nizamal Mullock by Mootal.

I do hereby agree to make you and your Officers a present of the Sum of 200 thousand Rupees for sending 1,000 Horsemen of your Troops to Defend and Assist the English in taking Pondicherry and Punish the French and also to Send your Perwanahs or orders to the Kelleydar's and Pollygars of that parts of the Country. Out of the said Sum I am to Pay the Horsemen for the Space of 4 Months according to your Order per mensem and send you the Remainder by the Horsemen at their return back to Fort St. David and I shall make you good the above said Sum in the said Space of time tho' we take Pondicherry or not without any detention.

	RS.
To Nizamal Mullock	1,80,000
To Meerza Ivezbeyg	15,000
To the officers	5,000
Total ..	**200,000**

TRANSLATE OF AN AGREEMENT BOND GIVEN TO NAUSIR JUNG BY MOOTAL.

I do agree to make you a present of the Sum of one hundred thousand Rupees for Sending 1,000 Horse men of your Troops to Assist and Defend the English, for which I promised to give you the Shroffs Bill to pay the same.

Rupees 100,000

No. 6.

TO NABOB ANVERDEE CAWN.

DATED THE 9TH JANUARY 1747/8.

Notwithstanding the promises the French made to Your Excellencys two Worthy Sons Mehajoz Cawn and Mamud Ally Cawn, the last Year not to molest us by Land I must acquaint your Excellency that how I must further advise your Excellency that three days agoe they came again with a great Force and encamp'd just without our Rounds with a Design to attack us, and just as they were about to put it in Execution Several of our Ships arriv'd and Oblig'd them to go back again to Pondicherry.

As we live here under the Great Mopels [Moguls] Protection and the Country belonging to the Circar has suffered so much already by the loss of Madrass, I had reason to expect Your Excellency would have put a Stop to their further designs and not to let the French rob us further in Your Territories. We have hitherto Observed the Commands You laid upon us not to molest the Enemy by Land but Your Excellency will now permitt us to do ourSelves Justice, as we find the Enemy do not regard Your Orders or any promises they have made on that Account. I wish your Excellency Health. What can I say more.

No. 7.

TO THE PHOUSDAR OF PORTO NOVO.

DATED THE 9TH JANUARY 1747/8.

I have been informed that you have been very kind and Assisting to our People at your Place when the French party was there, for which piece of kindness I send you a Small present as a token of my Acknowledgments to you on that Account: I desire you'll Continue your friendship to the English, I wish you Health, What can I say more.

No. 8.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF PORTO NOVO.

RECEIVED THE 12TH JAN^{RY} 1747/8.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your friendly Letter with the present of 3 Small pieces of Scarlet Cloth you Sent me, As there is a Strict friendship Subsisting between us, I am ready to do you all the Service I can and therefore if you had anything to be done here for the future I hope you'll Write to me freely. All the friendly Officers (*sic*) which you have hitherto done me are in my remembrance. God Grant that our friendship may increase; Continue to write to me of your Health and Wellfare and of what I can be of Service to You in these parts. What can I say more.

No. 9.

TO MODAMEIA, GOV^{R} OF CHELLUMBRUM.

DATED THE 14TH JAN^{RY} 1747/8.

By the bearer I have send you a small present which I hope you will accept of kindly. By the English Gentlemen that I have been at your Place lately I have been acquainted of Your Generous Treatment to them we have hitherto been on the Unfortunate Side, but it has now pleased God to turn the Scale and I do not at all doubt but a Short time will make our Enemy's as Miserable as they endeavour'd to make us. I desire You will let me hear of your Health. What can I say more.

No. 10.

FROM MUDOO VIZAYA RANGAPAH *Alias* WOODAYAROR THE PALLIGAR TO CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

I was extreamly Glad to hear that your Worship was made Governour of Fort St. David and as a token of my Joy, I now Send you a present of Cloth by Vencat-ramaga and hope you 'll be so kind as to Accept it with Pleasure.

The Pollygar who is in your place is under very great distress both to maintain in himself and pay the Talliars under him by reason of the Oppression in his Dutys and other Allowances; The said Vencataramaga will give you a full Account of the same. As all Affairs relating to each others place are to be deemed the same, I hope you'll not Suffer any Oppression in the Affair relating to the Pallygarship of your place; As you are Ingeniours I did not think proper to Write upon this Subject more than what is above. Continue to write to me of your Health and Wellfare and of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

No. 11.

TO THE KING OF TANJOUR.

DATED THE 19TH JAN^{RY} 1747/8.

This is on Purpose to acquaint Your Majesty of the good News we have received from Europe two days part. The French Nation (Enemys both to Your Majesty and the English) had fitted out a Force with design to derive the English out of India, and had they been Successfull they would never have Stoped there but would have made Settlements in whatever parts of your Country they liked but as they have already done at Caricol but it pleased God, that their Vile designs have been prevented for our Ships met them at Sea and took part and destroyed the whole of theirs so they are not now in a Condition to do your Majesty or us any prejudice. On the Contrary we have now twenty Ships at this place and about thirty more are very soon expected from Europe with a Great Number of Men and all Sorts of Stores a force Sufficient to drive the French out of India, a Scheme they had designed for Us, but it is now their turn to be on the unfortunate Side we have had our Share already we only wait the Arrival of the Expected Ships to put our designs in Execution and I do not at all doubt but that in a Short time we Shall be able to put You in Possession of Caricol which I hear You so much wish for, but as Horses are so Necessary for this Service I must desire Your Majesty will please to encourage Your people to come here with some good Horses which I now want to Buy and they Shall have all due encourage-ment given them, as Your Majesty is partly concern'd in this Affair I doubt not but you 'll readily give Your Assistance and you may depend upon it Carical will be taken by Us. I will also send You a Copy of this Letter by a Person whom I purpose to send into Your Country and I desire Your Majesty will Grant him your Protection and Assist him with what he may require. I wish your Majesty Health and Success over y^{r} Enemys what can I say more.

No. 12.

TO MOOTALL.

DATED THE 23RD JAN. 1747/8.

I have received Your Letter and very much approve of what You have done do not make any agreement with the Nabob of Arcott for any of his forces, but at present You are only to desire his Friendship, we have a large force Expected daily from Europe Sufficient for Our Purpose. When you are arrived at Arcott and I have advice of it, will directly send towards Arcott four hundred Peons wch the french may think are sent to guard you here, but before they arrive I could have you set out and come in here from the Southward but I leave this to you by this means You will come safe I will pay Pagodas (1000 pags.) and Rs. 6,000 for a Bill to be paid You for that Sum at Arcott. I am your Friend to Serve you.

No. 13.

To Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Dated the 24th Jany 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint your Excellency that we have now a Great many Ships at this place and expect more soon with about 4000 Soldiers and as there people will require a great quantity of Provisions of all sorts. I must acquaint Your Excellency that Your Officers in this Province often Stop our Provisions and hinder it coming here, which I am sure is quite contrary to Your Excellencys intention. I now beg you will please to Grant me two Dusticks for the Shew to your Officers, when they detain our Provisions, that the same may be releas'd again immediately I hope we shall soon have it in our power to take Revenge on our Enemys for the ill Treatment Your Excellency and the English have recd. from them. I wish you Health. What can I say more.

No. 14.

To Sumpet Roy.

Dated the 24th Jany 1747/8.

I have wrote to his Excellency Nabob Aneverdee Cawn, to acquaint him that we have already twenty Ships Arrived and Expect in a few days a great many more and we have Advice that they are full of Men and Warlike Stores, as so many men will require a great quantity of Provisions, I have wrote to his Excellency to Grant me two Dusticks that none of his Officers may stop any that is coming to this Place and I beg You will please to assist me in this Affair, I wish You Health. What can I say more.

The same to Hussain Sahib.

No. 15.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn to Charles Floyer Esqr.

Received the 26th January Anno 1747/8.

I have been informed that you intend to Coin Rupees and Moharees at your Place which was never done before; It is not proper for You to practice new Customs and therefore require you to Sell both Gold and Silver which shall come to your place to the Merchants that they may bring them and Coin Moneys in Arcott Mint. What can I say more.

No. 16.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Received the 26th Jan, 1747/8.

I received your Letter which gave us full account of your sincere friendship to me; You have wrote to me concerning Madrass Affairs, what I found in my Oppinion to be just, but I must acquaint you that it would be better if this Affair could be brought to a peaceable conclusion, however you may be assured of my good inclination towards you and by all means be perfectly Easy. What can I say more.

No. 17.

From Sampetroy.

I received your Friendly Letter with a Letter to his Excellency where in you Express'd a sincere friendship to him; You Wrote to me concerng the revenge to be taken on the Governour of Pondicherry relating to Madrass Affairs, the same I found in my Oppinion to be just, his Excellency was pleased to send you an Answer to your Letter which I referr you to for a further Account of matters; I must acquaint you that his Excellency is fully convinced of your sincere friendship to him of w[ch] Hajee Hady will write to you more fully; you may Observe that his Excellency reserves a fav[r] for you and you may be perfectly easy concerng your Affairs in this place. What can I say more.

No. 18.

From Modameia, Gov[r] of Chellumbrum.

received the 30th Jan 1747/8.

I was Extremely Glad to receive the Letter you sent me and must acquaint you that there was always a leage of friendship between my Father and your Proceedings and from the time when Gengy province was in the hands of the Marattas and as the same friendship Subsists now between us. I hope you will continue to Shew the same marks of friendship and Civilitys as your Predecessers did. Increase of our friendship is no ways depends upon the treatment you gave me; however if any One makes use of your Name in passing my Limits I do my friendly Officers to them Especially to those that are of Note; You was pleased to mention that it pleased God to turn or Change the Unfortunate Side which you have hitherto been at, I must assure you that it Gave me great deal of Satisfaction and Joy, It is my Prayer to God that he may Grant your desire; It was Constant practice on each Side that either of Us Write in regard to some ungent Affairs to Dispatch it with due Regard, I hope you ' 'll be mindfull of it; Continue to write me of your health and Wellfare as of what I can be of Service to you in these Parts. What can I say more.

No. 19.

To the Worshipfull Charles Floyer, Esqr.

Dated at Cudipa Friday 29th Jan 1747/8.

Worshipfull Sir I hope you have received the Letter I send you from Currepa dated the 18th January.

The 12th Jan I received your favour of the 3d of December last this Side of Cunnole a long time after I took my leave from Nabob Nausir Jung and set out from his Camp. In which you was pleased to write me to request Nausir Jung to send his Troops with me with all Speed but if I find he will not part with them before he Receives Money in hand, You said, I must in such case still Attend upon him and not come away without the Troops agreed upon and it shall be your care to Stand to the Agreement &cta. By which I Understand that your Worship was in an Absolute Occasion for force, which and likewise many other following Reasons made me Remain at Currepa.

That Ahea Cawn, Zecria Cawn etc. Six Brothers Served Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn, they are very Valiant and brave Officers Esteem'd by the Nabobs of these parts of the Country all the people bears them a great Respect as they do to the Nabobs, they quitted the Service of Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn being displease'd with him.

The french Sent Letters to Currepa by means of Meerassedoo etc., in order to take in about (1000) Troops Pattans into their Service. I in Order to prevent the said Officers taking the Frenches service had the Advantage to desire Bocanjee Davajee

Sbroff at Currepa (a particular friend of mine) to use his Utmost to get use of the said Ahea Cawn and Zecria Cawn, Bocanjee Devajee used his Interest with one Abdul Cawder Cawn Chief Officer of Currepa and by him discours'd with Ahea Cawn & Zecria Cawn who said that they never did Serve any Body for a Short Pay and with a Small Number of Troops under their Command but with much difficulty I admitted 'em into our Service with 300 Troops Pattans and promised them to allow them to take in 200 or 300 Horsemen more if Your Worship have any Occasion for more, I advanced them 3000 Rupees as an Impress, which I borrowed of Bocanjee and took agreement Bond Sign'd by them. The Translate of which I sent inclosed to your Worships perusal with an Account their Monthly Allowance. Ahea Cawn and Zecria Cawn are very brave and Experienced Officers and are known by all the people in that part of Arcott Country, and by their coming to Us it would be a great Terrour to the Horsemen that are in the French Service more particularly to Nabob Aneverdean Cawn, the said Officers assurd me that they will Stop the provisions going into Pondicherry and do all other Service as we shall Order them, so that they said that we Need not desire any other Assistance, I'll sett out from hence with the said Officers and 300 Horsemen by Wednesday or Thirsday next and come up to Fort St. David.

I am informed that Nabob Anervedean Cawn providing Some Provisions to the French as Wheat, etc., both at Arcott and Currepa and that one of the French Gentlemen which were sent up to Currepa to provide provisions hearing my coming near Currepa left all the Things he had here and gone away with all Speed from Currepa.

As to what I wrote you before to send about 100 thousand Rupees to Arcott in Order to discourse and Bargain with Aneverdean Cawn to bring his Troops for our Assistance if you please, Which I think there is no need of it at present nor no Occasion of Sending the Said Sum, because we have got very good Officers and Horsemen but however in order to keep him quiet and in friendship with Us, if you please I will call at Arcott and deliver him the Phirmaund of Nabob Nausir Jung and tell him that I'll go to Fort St. David and let him know if Our Govr should desire him for any force.

It is reported at Currepa that Nizam departed to Hindostan from Averangabaud he ordered Nausir Jung, Abdul Nabee Cawn, Himmet Bahawdor Cawn and Mohosoz Cawn to go to Golcondah, and that Nausir Jung has given liberty to Abdul Nabee Cawn Himmett Bahawdor Cawn and Mohosoz Cawn to go to their respective Country, Our friend Caujee Dayem acquainted me when I was in the Camp that Nausir Jung design to come up to Curnata Country in 2 Months time. I remain with much respect Worshipfull Sir your most Obed^t and Obliged humble Servant

BUNDLA MOOTAL

Worshipfull Sir Just after I finished this Letter I received your favour of the 21st January and am Glad to find Everything goes On Well according to your Desire.

TRANSLATE OF AN AGREEMENT BOND GIVEN TO THE COMMODORE AND GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID BY AHEA CAWN AND ZECRIA CAWN ETC., INTO THE HANDS OF MOOTAL. FEBRUARY THE 2ND 1747-8.

That as you Admitted Us with 300 Horsemen into the Service of the Honourable Company to Engage against Pondicherry and Madrass we hereby agree to behave ourSelves faithfully and Honesty into the Companys Service and Obey the Commands of the Governour in all things to the good of the Company and will not give Ourselves over to any device of the Enemys or do any Misdemeanours.

	RS.
To Ahea Cawn	300
To Zecria Cawn	200
To Mahomed Elias Cawn	150
To Mahomed Easeph Cawn	100
To Mahomed Amean Cawn	100
To Presents and Allowance of two Pallankeens	140

and at Rs. 30 per

Horsemen per Month whereof two Camells with Drums and one Flagman at Rs. 30 Each, at this Rate we are to Serve the Company and receive our Wages every Month and if in case any of our Horse and Men should be Killed or Wounded in the Battle, we shall make no demands of it from the Company and as you Agreed to keep us 3 months in the Service, we shall behave ourselves honesty and faithfully in that Space of time and if the Governour should keep us more longer into the service we shall be readily to remain and serve the Hon'ble Company and do our Duty to the good of the Compy.

Having Agreed together have sett Our Hands hereunto—

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presents of ABDUL CAUDER CAWN and MAHOMED CAWN. } Witness.

No. 20.

To MOOTAL.

I have just now received your Letter of the 29th January, wherein you write, you have made an Agreement for three hundred horse with Officers to serve us three months and as you report them people Capable of serving us you must bring them with you, notwithstanding what I have wrote you to the Contrary, as you did not then mention to me such an Agreement being made, but the intent you was first sent *sic* upon was to secure a force sufficient to protect us during the Monsoon, when it was expected the King's Ships would have left Us, and these you have now procur'd can be but of little Service to us, for we have a Sufficient force expected daily from England to reduce our Enemy's without further help—but if you think yourself under a Necessity of Standing to the said agreement bring them with you without further Delay. I am Your Friend to Serve you.

P.S.—Do not keep Mabrauze's Peons any longer but send them away, 8th July 1747/8, if you are not ready to come yourself they are upon a great expence of Batty.

No. 21.

To MOOTAL.

I have just now received your Letter of the 29th January wherein you write you have made an Agreement for 300 Horse with Officers to Serve us three Months and as you report them to be People capable of Serving us you must bring with you notwithstanding what I wrote You to the contrary, as you did not then mention to me such an Agreement, but the intent you was first upon was to secure a force Sufficient to protect us during the Monsoon when it was expected Our ships would have Left us, and those you have now procured can be but of little Service to Us for We have a Sufficient force exported *sic* daily from England to reduce our Enemy's without further help, but if you think yourself under a Necessity of Standing to the said Agreement bring them with you without further Delay. I am Your Friend to Serve you.

P.S.—Do not keep Mabruzes, etc.

CHARLES FLOYER.

Fort St. David,
the 8th Feb. 1747/8.

No. 22.

From Phousdar at Terrvendyporam to the Governour.

received the 14th Febry. 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that on the 16th of last Month His Excellency was pleased to entruss Munayerddeen Cawn with the Management of mint Business in Arcott province and the said Munayarddean Cawn has now Appointed a Daraga by name Shaick Gulam Mahomed to take care the mint at Tervindyporam belonging to Tevenepatam Country, I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to you that you would order the Merchants at your place to bring their Silver to be Coined in this Place; I must desire you to give orders to the People at your mettoos not to Stop the Merchants from coming to this place.

P.S.—I have inclosed a Copy of Munayerddeen Cawn's Pervanah for your perusal.

Translate of a Copy of the Pervanah from Munayerldeen Cawn.

The Nabob was pleased to entrust me with the mint Business in Arcott Province on the 16th of January 1747/8. By Virtue of Which I empower'd Shaick Gulam Mahomed on the same day to take care of it; I do therefore require all the Merchants etc., belonging to the province to Apply to him, that he may carry on the mint Business; Obey him in What he Shall tell concerning the Interest of the Circar.

No. 23.

To the Worshipfull Charles Floyer Esqr.

Governour of Fort St. David.

Worshipfull Sir

This Service Accompanies with the Duplicates of my last of the 8th to your Worship from Cannole, advising my Managemt of our Business with Nabob Nausir Jung and my safe Arrival therefrom the Camp, all which Letters I hope have Arrived Safe to your Worship. On Sunday the 16th I Arrived at Cuddepa from Cannole and will come down to Arcott in a few days. As to What I wrote you in my last to send Some Money to Arcott if you would have me bring Some Troops from Nabob Aneverdean Cawn for Our Assistance I hope you'll not defer Sending me an Answer before you get ready the money to Send, but please to let me know what Number of Troops you want and what other business to be done by Aneverdean Cawn with all Speed, that I may discourse and Settle it with him.

True it is that Nizam and Nausir Jung had sent their Phirmaunds to Aneverdean Cawn for to Assist Us, but he will Stand our friend and be on our Side if we would agree with and pay him for it, Your Worship may be Assured that I will provide a Substantial Merchant to Bargain with Aneverdean Cawn to pay him what I shall agree (which I will take care to do to the Benefit and Cheap for the Hon'ble Company as well as I can) after he perform'd and done everything According to the Contracts I shall take from him to the Good of our Business, but if in case of the None performance of which nothing Shall be paid him. The Phirmaunds which I brought from Nausir Jung to Aneverdean Cawn, Moortezally Cawn Kelleydar of Vellore, Hossain Cawn Foyer and Trimelrow Kelleydar of Armey [*Sic*, for Arni], who are in my Road to Arcott, I think it is proper to go to them myself deliver the Phirmaunds and discourse with them, I desire you'll please to let me know your Opinions in it, particulary what Assistance we must desire of them.

I have also brought with me Some more Phirmaunds, to several others that are in Authority to Assist us, as you'll Understand by the inclosed Duplicate Translates of them.

It is Absolutely Necessary to desire Aneverdean Cawn to Send his Pervana's likewise to the said Several Persons Accompanied with the Phirmaunds of his highness Ordered Aneverdean Cawn to Send his Pervanas to some other Kelleydars and Pollygars, to whom his highness never use to Send his Phirmaunds to assist Us in everything we desire All Which I refer to Your Worships Consideration and desire you'll please to send me your Answer to it withal Speed.

There are some very good and brave Troops Pattans at Cuddepa, I think its very convenient for Us to take Some of them into our Service, I will bring with me 200 or 300 horsemen Pattans and Bargain with some hund^d^ more to take into Our Service if you want, I desire your Worship will please to Send me your Answer Speedily that I may Send for them to Our Place after I Arrived at Arcott, and I remain with much Respect.

Dated at Cuddepa
Tuesday the 18th January 1747/8

Worshipful Sir,
Your most Obed^t^ &
Obliged humble Servant
BUNDLA MOOTAL

No. 24.

FROM THE FOUR VIZIERS TO THE KING OF PEGUE TO THE HONOURABLE CHARLES FLOYER, ESQUIRE.

RECEIVED THE 16TH OF FEB^RY^ 1747/8.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that sometime ago One of the Coy Cast declared himself a King to the Kingdom of Pegue, but he has acted several things contrary to reason, equity and to the Customs of the Abbasis and Injured the Inhabitants to that Degree that the Siams, Bermas, and Abbasis never enjoyed their peace, Besides it was the constant Custom with the said King to take Merchants Goods by Force and pay them half their Value he did not regard the Advise and Councils given by his Four Viziers, by which reason it was Jointly consulted by the Abbasis, Siams and Bermas that the said King should be Expelled the Kingdom which they have Accordingly done and Acknowledged One of the Abbasy Cast who is a just man as their Sovereign who took the thrown and was Crowned as a King to this Kingdon, but it is to be Observed that the Old King who was turned out as above lives at present at Ganjám.

We must inform you that the Inhabitants of 32 Provinces belonging to this Kingdom which are Divided into 12 Perganas took their Oaths of fidelity and Obedience to the New King as also the people that belong to the Forts at Tangoo, Poran, Noulooka, Decan, Dehaly, and Serang; The Viziers and others of this Kingdom are perfectly easy and have good liking to this King. We do therefore desire you to order the Merchants in your place to bring their Ships as Usual to this place and Continue to carry on their Trade. His Majesty was pleased to send One Noequedah Coja Necoes to your place with an Order to deliver this Letter to you and to desire you to keep your Correspondence with him; The said Noequedah will wait upon you and We hope that you'll give all necessary Assistance to him and to grant him a Dispatch as soon as possible. What can we say more.

No. 25.

FROM THE KING OF ATCHEEN, TO THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

REC^D^. IN THE MONTH OF FEBY. ANNO 1747/8.

This is on purpose to acquaint you that I sent out to meet the friendly Letter and the Presents you was pleased to send me by Captain Byers and was exceeding glad to receive them and I understood the particulars you have wrote to me; As there

has been a perfect friendship subsisting between the Hon'ble English Company and me from the very beginning, It is my own constant prayer to God to grant 'em and you all imaginable happiness.

I have Occasion for a Brigantine and must desire you would buy a Strong one and Deliver it to my People and Order them to pay the price. I have also occasion for 2 pair of Black Stones One 5 Covits length, one Covit thick and Broad, the other 5½ Covits length, one Covit and four Inches thick and broad, some Europe Flints and Guns of three Covits.

In Consequence of the Amity that Subsists between us, each others Ports are to be Deem'd the same and our Ships must in Course touch each others Ports, I thought it convenient therefore to send my Ship now to your Port and hope you will give all necessary Assistance concerning her and dispatch her again to my place, Write to me an Account of your Wellfare by the same Ship.

I now send you a Present of Two Cakes of Benjamin and 10, of Brimstone, tho' it is not Suitable to your Quality yet I hope ye 'll accept of it.

As Captain Byers is now gone to Bencolin, at his Arrival I will write to you by him.

God Grant that Success may attend you as long as the Sun and Moon endure.

Continue to Write to me of your Health and Wellfare and of What I can be of Service to you in these parts. What can I say more.

No. 26.

To Mootal.

It is with some concern I do not hear Oftener from you, the last Letter is dated near two Months past, but I am ready to believe it is no fault of yours. We have Various Reports Concerning Nazerjengs March, but they near all agree that he is gone to his Father. I must now advise You that our Europe Ships Arrived in Bengall, with some belonging to the King of England, the Latter End of last Month, The Gentlemen there, being in so great want of Money, kept it all there and return'd the Empty Ships to Us, so that I find it Utterly impossible to Stand to the Agreement you have made and I Chuse to Give you this Advice that you may not expect what is not in my Power to do. And it is with great concern I am Obligd to Write to you in this manner. This you must keep private and come away in the handsomest manner you can and with as little Expence but we do not design that any disgrace may happen to you and know on such Occasions money must be given, but before You come away, as it will be Necessary for us to have News from the Camp, Appoint a Proper Person to send Advices to this place, it must be a man of some Consequence and he Shall be hamsomely rewarded for his trouble. This I must leave to your Management as well as the method of your coming away. Our Affairs go on very well, Our English Fleet have taken and destroyed a great many Ships that were coming to these parts belonging to the French and I doubt not but we shall be soon Masters of all we can wish for.

No. 27.

To the Worshipfull Charles Floyer Esq. Governour of Fort St. David.

Worshipfull Sir

I hope you have received my Lettr of the 29th January last with the Agreement I made for bringing 300 Horse. Since which I have rec'd your favour of the 23d: wherein You was pleased to write me not to make any Agreement with Nabob Aneverdean Cawn for any of his Forces and advised me that you expected daily a large force from Europe. By which I considered and did breake the Bargain I made with the said 300 Troops for taking them into Our Service in a friendly manner

without Costing anything ; In your favour of the 26th You was pleased to write me that you have Ordered Linga Chitty to pay me the Sum of Pagodas (pags. 1,000) and Rupees (Rs. 6,000) at Arcott by his Gomastah ; I have received a Bill from him about it ; The French People have bought a large Quantity of Provisions at Cuddepa, and their People Spread all about the Country, I can't learn whither they are designed for, which made me stay a few days at Cuddepa, I'll set out from hence tomorrow and go to Arcott tho' the Safest way and then I advise your Worship of it.

According to your direction I'll deliver the Phirmaunds of Nabob Nausir Jung to Aneverdean Cawn etc. Great Men in a proper manner.

I remain with much Respect, Worship^ll Sir,
Your most Obed^t and Obliged humble Servant
BUNDLA MOOTAL.

Dated at Cuddepa
Feby the 6th 1747/8.

No. 28.

FROM NABOB ANERVYDY CAWN TO THE WORSHIP^LL CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECEIVED THE 22ND FEBRUARY 1747/8.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that when there was Pearl fishing Season in Tootagady, I sent One Raphey the Doctor (who was in my Service for 75 Rupees per Month) thither upon that Business, but he has been so base that after he had gathered what parcell of Pearls he could hid himself or was not to be found, at length I was informed that the said Raphey is gone to Callcutta and there he continues selling the said Pearls on his Own Account, I therefore thought fit to write the Accompanying Letter to the English Governuor at the said place desireing him to recover the said Goods and send it to me, which letter I hope you'll send to the said Governuor and write a Letter to him yourself at the same time that he may Seize upon the Pearls etc. that shall be found in the Custody of the said Raphey and send 'em hither to me. What can I say more.

No. 29.

TO NABOB ANERVYDY CAWN.

DATED THE 24TH FEBRUARY 1747/8.

I have received your Excellencys Letter about our coining Rupees and Moores at this place, in Anm to which I must inform you that no Moores are coined here and but a few Rupees for Our Current Expenc's, which was always the Custom at Madrass, and the Country being now so very Unsettled that it is very dangerous to Send either Gold or silver up to the Arcott Mint as you desire. I wish your Excellency health. What can I say more.

No. 30.

FROM NABOB ANERVYDY CAWN TO THE WORSHIP^LL CHA^S FLOYER ESQ.

I received your Letter acquainting me that you Coin Rupees at your place according to the Custom of Madrass, but I must tell you that Madrass Rupees were only Coin'd in that place, As you now Coin Arcott Rupees contrary to Salabad Custom I hereby forbid you to it ; If you cannot Venture to send Gold and silver to be Coined in Arcott Mint on acc^t of Disturbance send them to the Mint at Tervendapatam. I hereby require of you to Act according to this my Order. What can I say more.

No. 31.

To the Nabob.

I have received your Excellency's Perwanah and observe the Contents.

Your Excellency may always be assured of my Readiness to do whatever is in my power for your Service is the Circar Mints and to act agreeable to Customs. The English before the Accident to Madrass never vented (*sic*) to send large Quantitys of Silver to be Coined in your Mints for their Trade and Business, and had their been any Security for the Carrying them on as before. Many Advantages would have arisen to the Circar which it has been deprived of by that only of which your Excellency must be Sensible and will no doubt be duely Considere'd of by you. What can I say more.

No. 32.

To the Worship^ll Charles Floyer Esqr., Governour of Fort St. David.

Worship^ll Sir,

The Reason of my having Remain'd about 15 days at Cuddepa was to Admit 300 Horsemen into our Service and Afterwards dismiss them again, and at the End of which time I hearing that the French having had an Information of my coming without any Horse with me appointed Some of the Maratta Horsemen to Stop and Seize on me in my road to Arcott tho' Damercharry I sent some of Our Urcast and Horsemen for Intelligence and then gave a Report of going tho' the said Road departed tho' the Country of Mettla Vencata RamaRauze, with whom I commenc'd a Friendship to the Good of Our Honourable Company upon Occasion, he sent some of his Force to Guard me as far as Bomerauzepollum, Bomerauze has come to See me, I delivered him the Phirmaund which I brought him from Nabob Nausir Jung to Assist Us in everything we desire, He the said Bomerauze has sent some of his Force to Conduct me as far as Arcott.

About 9 O'Clock in the morning I arrived safe at Arcott, and I shall visit Nabob Aneverdean Cawn, Sumpet Roy and Hossain Soil and deliver them the Phirmaunds of his highness Nausir Jung and desire them to keep up a Good friendship with Us, I heard that your Worship had sent 200 Peons to Guard me From Arcott and that they were recalled again to Fort St. David; I must acquaint your Worship that the French had Appointed Several Peons and Sheepais in Several parts of the Roads going to Fort St. David from Arcott in Order to Seize on me, I therefore desire you 'll please to Send me five or six hundred Peons and some Arabian Sheepais and 50 of our Horsemen with some Ammunition for the Peons to Conduct me Safe to your Worship from Arcott to the good Credit of the Hon'ble Company, I shall also bring with me some Horse and Peons to Guard me; I have sent our Urcarst about it and I hope your Worship will please to Order the said Peons and Horsemen to be sent up to me Soon that I mav come down to Fort St. David with all Speed, I remain wth much Respect.

Worship- Sir, Your most
Obed^t & obliged Humble servant
Bundla Mootal.

Arcott Wednesday
Feby. the 27th 1747/8.

No. 33.

To Mootal.

This Morning I received your Letter advising that you Design to set out for this Place and to Request that I will send you some Peons for your Safety. I have now ordered One hundred Seapoys with Ammunition and when you are near us I'll send out more to meet you.

Remember to purchase some Horses, but if you have not Time, Leave Directions with some Body for that purpose.

I am,
Your Friend to Serve you
CHARLES FLOYER.

March the 1st 1747/8.

No. 34.

TO NABOB ANEVERDEE CAWN.

DATED THE 3RD MARCH 1747/8.

I have received Your Excellency's Letter and Understand the Contents, I am sorry to hear one Raphey a Docter in Your Service has gone away with a Parcel of Pearls and that you are lately informed he is gone to Bengall. I have your Excellencys Letter to the Govr of that Place which you may depend upon I will forward by the first Conveyance which will be in a Short time, and likewise write mySelf and I do not doubt but he will do You all the Justice You can desire and get the Pearls restored to You again if he is in an English Settlement. I wish Your Excellency Health and long Life. What can I say more.

No. 35.

FROM COJA MEERZA AN ARMENIAN MERCHANT AT METCHELYPATAM, TO THE WORSHIPLL CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

DATED THE 4TH MARCH ANNO 1747/8.

I beg leave to acquaint your Worship that I had the Honour to receive your kind Letter and in Obedience to your Command I have delivered the Whole Quantity of Red Cloth belonging to the Co. in my Custody to Mr. Banks and took my Bond from him which is now One Month and half agoe; I must inform you that the Governour of this place has insisted upon me to pay Rupees. (607 RS—10½ AN) on account of Customs on the said Goods which I have paid him out of my own pockett, and the same was a very great loss to me, I always used my Endeavours and got Destocks from the Phousdars, Tanadars, and Pollygars in these parts about passing and repassing the Company's People thro these Limits without Molestation and I am still willing to Continue to do so; I now intend to send my Ship on a Trayding Voyage to Malaca or Betavia and hope you'll grant or procure a Pass for it that none of your Ships may hinder her or Molest her in the Sea; My Son Coja Mahertoon will wait upon you about it and I beg you'll grant it as Soon as Possible; As I never troubled you with anything before I am in firm hopes that you'll Oblige me in this Particular; What can I say more.

P.S.—Mr. Banks embarked himself on the Dutch Vessell with said Goods and went to Vizagapatam.

No. 36.

TO THE WORSHIPLL CHARLES FLOYER ESQR., GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID.

Worshipll Sir,

Since my last of the 27th I Visited Nabob Anervedean Cawn Sumpel roy Hossain Cawn Toyer etc., and deliver'd them the Phirmaunds of his highness Nausir Jung, they replied to me that they are ready to assist Us according to his highness Order in all things we desire the Particulars of all wch I shall inform Your Worship after I arrived at Fort St. David.

I am Creditably informed that the French had sent a party of their soldiers, Shipais of Mihee and some Horsemen to Stop me in my Road to Fort St. David from Arcott, and the said partys are dispers'd in Several parts of the Country.

I must inform your Worship that I arrived safe at Arcott 3 or 4 days Journey to Fort St. David Clear of Great danger and Trouble of Our Enemys all along in the Way from Cuddepa till Arcott, now the French are Striving all the means they can to detain me between Arcott and Fort St. David, I must therefore Necessarily request your Worship will please to Send 100 Arabian Shipais and 400 Peons with Necessary Ammunition and 50 of our Moratta Horsemen to Guard me Safe to Fort St. David that I may have the happiness of Seeing you with all Speed, I also desire you'll please to Send Some Ships to Alarm Pondicherry and some Soldiers likewise to Marrikistnah and give out a Report of Marching against Pondicherry, which will Alarm the French and withdraw their Men into Pondicherry from the Country, I shall take my leave from the Nabob tomorrow and will sett out from hence to Fort St. David, all which I referr to your Worship's Consideration.

This morning arrived 200 Peons of Mulbrauze, I remain with much Respect.

Worshipll Sir.
Your most Obedt and Obligd
Humble Servants,
BUNDLA MOOTAL.

Arcott, Sunday
March the 2nd 1748.

No. 37.

FROM THE NEW PHOUSDAR OF TERVADY.

RECEIVED THE 8TH OF MARCH ANNO 1747/8.

I have been informed that some of your People have been unjustly Seized upon certain Arrack Sailors belonging to this and that of Tervendyporam Country who inhabited near the Edge of your Limits and Carried them by force and caused them to be Chabucked and that they being not Content with this, have plundered all their Goods. This Action is quite Contrary to the Friendship between us, I hope therefore that you would purnish the Offenders as they deserve and get the Good Restored to the Owners. Strictly enjoin them to Exchange themselves well for the future; Continue your Corrispondance with me. What can I say more.

No. 38.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF TEVVENDYPORAM.

RECEIVED THE 8TH MARCH ANNO 1747/8.

I have been informed that Cootah has sent a Party of 40 Peons with an Order to go and Seize upon Certain Arrack Sellors of Patchaneupam and of three other Villages under my Jurisdiction and to plunder their Houses likewise which they Accordingly did and carried the said Arrack Sellors Prisoners to your place and that the said Cootah has confined 'em one Whole Night and the next day caused Twenty-One Blows to be given each and then to be turned out. I can't see any reason why he Should use 'em in this manner. If they have committed fault he should acquaint me with it that I may do him Justice. In Regard to your Friendship I did not Write this, to his Excellency. I believe this Violence is Committed by the said Cootah without your knowledge and therefore hope you wou'd examine into this Affair and lay your Strict commands on him not to do the like insults for the future. What can I say more.

No. 39.

To the Phousdar of Trevedy.

Dated the 11th March 1747/8.

I have received the Letter you wrote me about the Arrack Sellers the truth of which is thus. I have been several times inform'd that those people us'd to loiter about the Hedge of the Rounds with quantitys of Pariar Arrack and sometimes came in with it to the great destruction of Our Military Men who Often got dead Drunk with it. This I was inform'd of and sent word to Caution them not to come near our Rounds with Arrack on Pain of being Punish'd, but they did not regard the Messages I sent to them and having fresh Complaints. I Ordered them to be brought to me and Save (*sic*) them a very Slight Punishment, wch I hope You cannot disapprove off, but am very Sorry to Observe that they have told you such falsitys, If you'll give Yourself the trouble to enquire into this matter and will send any person to me to prove that the Arrack Sellers have been plundered and Robb'd, Those that did it shall be Severely punished and Restoration be made to the Owners, but upon enquiry if you find these people have imposed Such falsitys on you which I am told is the Case then I hope You Will severely Chestize them for it and not to Suffer them to come near our Rounds in future. You may depend upon it that I will do nothing Contrary to the Strict Friendship that is between us. You may be sure I will Continue my Corrispondence with you as usual. What can I say more. The same to the Phousdar of Trevedy.

No. 40.

From Pertapah Sing the King of Tanjoor, to the Worship^ll^ Charles Floyer, Esqr.

Receivd March the 9th 1747/8.

I was extreamly glad to receive y^r^ friendly Letter by some of your people from Negapatam which gave an account of your Victory over the French of the taking their Ships, your expectation of 30 Ships of Warr with reinforcement and of your intentions to Attack and take their Settlements at their Arrival and to Clear the Whole Coast of them and also of your Design to take Carricol and to put my people in Possession of it. God grant that you may gain the Victory in all your Battles; The People who brought the Letter are in this place endeavouring to Buy the horses you desired and as soon as they Acquaint me with the Number they Approve of, I will consider of a method to send them to you, I must acquaint you that the Receipt of your Letter corroborated the friendship between us, and I am willing to give you Every instance of it in my power; As you resolve to take Carricol I wont be backward on my part to give all Necessary Assistance towards it; Gayajee Gatakey etc. who were Enemy's to me were expelled this place and as I hear have taken up their residence in the Palliam belonging to Ahala Naick and from thence by the assistance of the said Ahala Naick take Opportunitys of falling upon my Limits and doing injurys to the Inhabitants thereof. They have lately Seized upon one Pandarem a Merchant who had Dealings with the Inhabitants of Certain Villages under my Jurisdiction and carryed him away by force. I therefore thought of it to send a Force to Seize them and as I was informed that the said Palliam lies near your place, [I] hope on the Arrival of the said Force you'll give all the necessary Assistance you can in that affair. I wish you health and happiness. What can I say more.

No. 41.

To the Worship^ll^ Charles Floyer Esqr. Governour of Fort St. David.

Worship^ll^ Sir

Dated 11th March 1747/8.

The 3^d^ I have had the honour of receiving your favour of the 1st and am Glad your Worship was pleased to write me that you have Ordered One hundred Seapoys and when you hear I am more near you will Send out more to meet me.

I have discours'd with Nabob Anerverdean Cawn, Sumpet Roy etc. and made them know how much his highness Nausir Jung was our Friend, w[ch] they were more Convinc'd by his highnesses Phirmaunds, they have Solemly promised to Assist and Serve us in all things we desire of them. I took my leave of them and on the 9th Arrived at Arney and Commenc'd a Strict Friendship with the Kellydar of the said place, who promised to Assist Us What lyes in his Power.

Last Night I Arrived at Culsevakum, and set out this Morning to Treenamoly Yesterday 100 of our Seapoy's arrived with me.

Agreeable to your Worships Order I have purchased three Horses at Arcott and did endeavour to buy some more but the Merchants seeing that we were in a great want of Horses rais'd up the price considerably; I have therefore directed some of my Friends at Arcott to Buy Us Some Horses Ofter my departure from Arcott. I remain with much Respect.

Worship[l] Sir Your most Obed[t] and obliged hum: Servant,

BUNDLA MOOTAL.

Dated
the 11th March 1747/8.

No. 42.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF TERVENDYPORAM.

RECEIV'D THE 14TH MARCH ANNO 1747-8.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that Samasheva Redy One of the Chief Inhabitants of Tevenepatam Country left this place and has taken his residence in Trepapolore under y[r] Jurisdiction, he Stands indebted to his Excellency in a large Sum delays the payment thereof; Now in order to bring him to me I sent Two of the Circars Servants and as there is a perfect Unity between us, made bold to trouble you with this hoping that you would grant a Chitt to the said Redy to pass your Limits and you would be further pleased to prevent those that would Offer to hinder his coming to this place under pretence of Certain Debts. If any one had a Demand on him, let him apply to me that I may do him Justice according to our Laws. I wish you Success and happiness. What can I say more.

No. 43.

TO THE WORSHIP CHARLES FLOYER ESQR. GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID.

Worship[l] Sir

I believe your Worship have rece[d] the Letter I sent you last Night, and I beg Your Worship will please to send me your Answer that I may be ready to Wait upon you with the Horse and Presents of Nabob Nausir Jung, but if your Worship has not any leisure to receive it to day you may deferr it till toMorrow, and I will leave the Presents at Padrycopang and wait Upon your Worship in the Afternoon. I remain with much respect. Worship[l] Sir Your most Obed[t] & obligd &

humble Servant,
BUNDLA MOOTAL.

Trivendepuram,
Dated the 14th March 1747-8.

No. 44.

TO THE WORSHIP CHARLES FLOYER ESQR., GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID.

Worship[l] Sir

I did not find mySelf any Trouble till I came to Cuddepa from Culberoy thro' a Great way off and hard Travelings, but since my Arrival at Cuddepa the French have Brib'd most part of the Country Governours and by their Consent appointed

several People in sundry Passages and Towns to seize on me between Cuddepa and Arcott and Fort St. David, so that I can hardly express in the Letter what Trouble I had taken to get ride of them I have therefore taken in 100 Rassaboetas Horsemen to Guard me from Arcott; you need not think that I have Run at a great Expence of it but I will inform your Worship myself by word of Mouth.

I made two Long Journey's from Trinamoly and about 5 O'Clock in the Evening I Arrived at Trivendepuram. I shall wait upon your Worship tomorrow After dinner, and Shall also bring with me the Horse and Presents which Nabob Nausir Jung had sent you with his Phirmaunds. Governour Morse know very Well the Customes of receiving the Presents of his highness I desire your Worship will please to direct me where I am to bring the Presents and where you'll Receive it and I remain with much Respect. Worship[l] Sir Your most Obligd and hum : Servant.

Trivendepuram. BUNDLA MOOLAL.
Dated the 15th March 1747/8.

No. 45.

FROM NABOB ANERVYDY CAWN.

RECD THE 17TH MARCH 1747/8.

Inclosed is the List of the Medicin's Which I want, if you have 'em by you 'tis well, if not endeavour to get 'em from the Danes and send 'em to me; Let 'em be of the best kind. I have a very great occasion on for em to make ingredients of. What can I say more.

No. 46.

FROM SAMPETROY.

REC[D] THE 17TH MARCH, 1747/8.

This is on Purpose to Acquaint you that there are some of Jayanty Ramiah's Gomastas in your Port whose Business is to buy or Sell Paddy imported by Several Ships belonging to Vizia Rama Raja, and as good Friendship Subsists between me and the said Raja I desire you to be Assisting to the said Gomastas in whatever they Shall desire. What can I say more.

No. 47.

FROM NABOB NAUSIR JUNG TO COMODORE GRIFFIN.

RECEIVED THE 19TH MARCH 1748.

I have received the Letter and the Presents you sent me, representing the Misfortune you Underwent and also the Submission you bear towards me, All which I was more particularly told by Mootal; I Accepted the Presents and according to the desire of Mootal have sent my Positive Orders to Anervedean Cawn etc., Governours of that parts of the Country to Aid and Assist you. You may be rest Assured of my Esteem and favour towards You. Continue to Advise me of your Wellfare.

No. 48.

FROM ABDUL NABEE CAWN, NABOB OF CUDDEPAW.

Mootal has been to his highness Nausir Jung and did use his Utmost Endeavours in your Affairs and brought it to a Conclusion but your Enemys having Raised a great difficultys and Inventions prevented it, Whereupon I together with Nabob

Himilt Bahawdor Cawn etc, Great people intreated in your behalf and made his highness to keep up his favour and esteem towards you, all which Mootal will inform you more fully, of which you may be rest Satisfied and continue to Advise me always of Your Affair. With much pleasure and Glad I heard by Mootal the Friendship and goodness you bear towards me, I hope you will Esteem my place as your Own till you Remain in these parts of the Country, let me know if you want anyting from me, and if in Case you Should go home to England please to Encrease our Friendship by sending me frequent letters of your Wellfare. I must Acquaint you that I am ready to Assist you if you want any force from me. What can I say more.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM HIMETT BAHAWDOR CAWN NABOB OF CUNNOLE.

The same as was wrote by Nabob Abdul Nabee Cawn.

FROM ANERVERDEAN CAWN NABOB OF ARCOTT.

Mootal has represented me your Goodness and Friendship towards me, he has now learned my esteem and good Opinions in all your Affairs, which he will inform you more fully. You may be rest Satisfied in all things you want on my Side. What can I say more.

No. 49.

FROM NAUSIR JUNG TO THE WORSHIP CHARLES FLOYER ESQ.

RECEIVED THE 19TH MARCH ANNO 1747/8.

I received your Letter which gave an Account of your perfect Obedience to me and of the Occurrences of your Place, I received likewise the Presents you sent me. Muttall Naick has Informed me Everything in particular, I Accepted the presents and Agreeable to Muttall's request did grant him several Taukets or Pervanas in the Name of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn etc., who have the Management of Affairs in your parts requiring'em to Assist you; I must therefore write to you to Continue in Obedience to me and Show your Endeavours towards the Interest of the Circar hoping for my favour. Send me Constant Advise of the Transactions of your place.

No. 50.

FROM NABOB ABDUL NABEE CAWN THE NABOB OF CUDDEPAW.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that Muttal Naick has been with Nausir Jung and by his Endeavours has ended your Affairs with Success but your Adversiers were not backword to sow desentions and put a Stop to them; however I and Nabob Behadar Cawn did endeavour to represent your Affairs to his Excellency in a proper Light. You may Observe that his Excellency has Shewn you a very great favour; Muttall will give you a particular Account of the foregoing; I Advise you to be perfectly Easy. Continue to write to me of the Occurrences of your place; If you want a Force Write to me. By the Blessing of God nothing Shall be wanting in me to Serve you in that respect. What can I say more.

N.B.—The same from Nabob Bahadar Cawn the Nabob of Candanoor.

No. 51.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that Muttal Naick gave me a full account of your perfect Obedience and sincere friendship to me, and the said Muttal was fully Acquainted with the regard I have for you and he will inform you the same; I advise you to be perfectly Easy touching your Affairs depending at the Circar. What can I say more.

No. 52.

To the King of Tanjoor.

Dated the 20th March 1747/8.

I have just now received Advice from Nazam that some people were bringing down from Your Country Ten Horses design'd for Us and that they were set up on by some people from Carricol who kill'd some of the people and carried away Six of the Horses, I hope your Majesty will not Suffer such barbarities to be committed in your Country and on your subjects, but that you will call them to a very Severe Account and get the horses to be deliver'd up to you again. I do not doubt but your Majesty will Strictly Enquire into this Affair. What can I say more.

No. 53.

From Pertapa Sing Raja the King of Tanjoor to the Worshipe. Charles Floyer Esqr.

Received the 21st March Anno 1747/8.

It was inexpressible Joy and Satisfaction to me to receive your Letter which gave an Account of your Victory over the French of the taking their Ships, your Expectation of 30 Ships of War with reinforcement and of your intentions to Attack and take their Settlements at their Arrival and to clear the Whole Coast of them and also of your Design to take Carricol and to put my People in Possession of it and to Buy Horses. God Grant that you may gain the Victory in all your Battles and that the French may meet with Destruction and Ruin that there be no Frenchman left in the Empire. I am in hopes that on the Arrival of the Ships you'll Certainly Chestize that Nation for their Evil Actions. As you resolve to take Carricol I wont be backword in giving my assistance towards it.

The Merchants who sell horses are not come to this Place. But your People who came upon that Business did approve some of the horses which are here at present but the Owners would not agree to bring 'em to Tevenepatam. In my Opinion the said horses were bad and Unfit. As soon as the Merchants are come with New Horses, If I can find any good Horses among them I will Endeavour to persuade the Merchants to bring 'em to your Place. What can I say more.

No. 54.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Dated the 22nd March, 1747/8.

I have received Your Excellency's Letter with the List Inclosed of Medicines which I have delivered to Our Doctor and he will take Care to procure them with all Speed after which I will forward them to your Excellency Agreeable to your Desire. I am very Glad to hear You are in health. What can I say more.

No. 55.

To Sompetroy at Arcott.

Dated the 22nd March, 1747/8.

I have received the honour of your Letter and agreeable to your desire I will assist the Gomastas that are here belonging to Joyanta Ramah in the Sale of their Paddy as far as is Consistant with Reason so to do, and more Especially as you Write there is a Good Friendship between you and Vizia Rama Raja. I wish you a Continuance of health. What can I say more.

No. 56.

To Grua at Tanjoor.

Dated the 22nd March, 1747/8.

I have heard Several Story's relating to Try his Buying of Horses and Charging for them more than they Cost, as also of his sending them away at the Company's Risque which was not designed by Mr. Hallyburton who gave Orders to the Contrary. There are Six horses Seiz'd upon about all which you must Enquire and let me know the truth of the Whole Affair and what they are now about at Tanjoor I would have Two [You] stay there till I send for you.

No. 57.

From Mahomee Macatoom the Caudy, Shaick Markayer etc., Inhabitants of Porto Novo to the Hon'ble Chas Floyer Esqr.

This is on purpose to Acquaint your honour that the King of Tanjoor insisted upon Travellors of different cast Namely the English, Armenians, Moors, Chittys, Japaneers, Mallabar's, Fishers etc., who pass thro' his Limits from the River Colladem to Coatackery upon paying customs for their Persons; We thought it necessary therefore to Apply to his Majesty by means of his Divan etc., and to desire him to forgive the said Customs upon the people and to that end and purpose We agreed to make him a Present of 4, Elephants, One horse etc., upon which his Majesty has issued out an Order for all his Juncane People to permitt the Travellors to pass free. Now we have received a Letter by the hircaras from his Majesty to send the said Presents. As What we have done is for General good, We hope your honour will give your Assistance towards this Affair to enable ourselves to perform the above Agreement with the king, in doing this Act of Charity you'll gain a very great Reputation and the same will remain as long as the sun and Moon Endure.

No. 58.

From the Phousdar of Tervady to the Worship^ll Charles Floyer Esqr.

Received the 24th March, 1747/8.

I received your Letter wherein you write to me concerning the Misbehaviour of Certain Arrack Sellors under my Jurisdiction. I must inform you that Selling Liquors is prohibited in the Circar's Country and as soon as the Government of this Country was given to me I have Strictly forbid of Selling Liquors in my Limits. Now I will take care to take a Penal Bond from all the Arrack sellors and put an entire Stop to this Business. I must desire you therefore to give Strict Orders to your people not to Enter into my Limits and Molest the Inhabitants thereof; If you Suffer 'em to come into my bounds they will certainly raise Disturbance in it which will be Affront to me. Continue to Write to me of your health and Welfare. What can I say more.

No. 59.

From the Phousdar of Porto Novo.

Received the 25th March, 1747/8.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that sometime agoe his Excellency was pleased to Send a present of Cloth and Victualls to the King of Cuddah with a Cowel to Send his Ship to this Port, he accordingly sent the Ship with a present of an Eleph^t to the Nabob, the said Ship was loaded with Several other Elephants on Account of Traffick, but when she came to an Anchor in this Road, The English Ship wch Crewses here abouts bore down to her and brought her away by Compulsion to your Port, as this

place belongs to the Circar it is not proper for you to Suffer such Violence to be Committed, I do therefore desire you to Order your People to Send the Ship hither as soon as possible. If this reaches his Excellency you'll get ill Name by it. As there is Several Merchants Goods on board of the Said Ship I hope you'll on receipt of this Letter Order her to be sent. Some Ships are expected from Atchin etc., to this Port and I hope you'll Strictly enjoin your People not to Meddle with any Ship or Vessells coming to this Port. It is no way's Adviseable for you to Sow Disorders in the Affairs of the Circar. As there is a perfect Unity between us, Continue to Write me of your health and Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 60.

FROM MEERA SAUT TO THE WORSHIP[L] CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECEIV'D THE 31ST MARCH 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to Receive your Letter wherein you was pleased to Mention that One of your Boats loaded with firewood having met with a Storm in the Sea ran ashore at Covatoor under my Jurisdiction and was Wreckt and that there was a Portiguez on board the said Boat and that I should order my Naib in the said place to free it. I must acquaint you that if I had known the said Boat and the Portiguez were belonging to you or at least the said Portiguez had made use of your Name I Would have Ordered the same to be freed immediately in regard to the perfect friendship which subsists between us, and would have given you no trouble to write to me about this trifling Affair; however on receipt of your Letter I have Ordered a Letter to be wrote in the Name of my Naib in the said place to free the Boat and sent the same by the Bearer and the Portiguez. As I am desirous to hear of your Wellfare I hope you'll continue to let me know the same by Lett[rs] which would be very agreeable to the Old friendship that subsists between Us. What can I say more.

No. 61.

FROM NABOB MAHOMED ALLY CAWN TO THE WORSHIP[L] CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.,

REC[D] THE 1ST APRIL, ANNO 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that in order to buy some Guns Balls etc., Goods I sent one Shaick Mahomoody to you with Money and hope you'll be friend to me in procuring the best sorts of 'em and at the Cheaper Rate. When I had punished the french I took Two Cowhorns in Plunder, but you desired me to let 'em remain with you till the Arrival of the Europe Ships promising to Return 'em or give another pair in their Stead upon their Arrival, As the Said Ships are arriv'd at present I hope you'll fullfill your promise by Send[g] Two of the best Cowhorns. I must desire you to send Two Gunners to Serve me and to agree with 'em at so much per Month as you think fitt. Send me Some Cowhorn Shells by the Said Gunners. I must repeat it to you to get the said Goods for me According as the said Mahomoody shall tell you. Inform me how many of the Europe Ships are Arrived already at your Port and of What Method you have Consulted to take your Revenge on the Enemy. You may be Assur'd of my good inclination to you and Continue to Write to me of your Wellfare.

P.S.—I have Occasion for five large and some small fire Locks for my Own use Send 'em to me.

No. 62.

FROM SAMPETROY THE DIVAN.

RECEIVED THE 4TH APRIL 1748.

I have been informed that One Vencatyputty Naidoo etc., Gomastas to Vizia Rama Raja and Nealadry Raja have Carryed their Vessells into Pondicherry Road loaded with piece Goods etc., for Traffick, and that after they had sold 'em set sail

from thence with a Certain sum of Money being the produce of the Said Goods but that some of your People imagining that it belong'd to the French, they have not only burnt the Vessells but also took away the Money together with what Goods and Merchandize The said Gomastas had with 'em; These Gomastas have inform'd me of the foregoing. You may Observe that there is a perfect unity Subsists between me and the said Rajas and that no Body has hitherto Offer'd to Molest their Gomastas knowing them to be the Merchants whose common business is to go into Different places for Traffick. I am told that Vizagapatam wherein you have a Factory is part of the said Rajas Limits and hope therefore that you would think it Necessary to Examine into this Affair and Order the Money and Goods which were taken by your people to be restored to the said Gomastas. I thought it Necessary to write to you the foregoing. What can I say more.

No. 63.

THE ANSWER.

I have received your Letter concerning a Ship belonging to the King of Cuddah and I must inform you that the said Ship always touch'd in Our Road but on the Account of the Disturbance raised by the French the last Year she did not touch here; If you be so good as to Ask the Noequedah of the said Ship concerning this Affair he'll inform you the Truth.

No. 64.

TO NABOB ANERVERDEE CAWN.

DATED THE 7TH APRIL 1748.

I wrote your Excellency some time past that I had Order'd Our surgeon to prepare the medicines for you Agreeble to the List You enclosed to me. They being now finish'd I take the Liberty of sending them to Your Excellency and hope they will be a means of hearing you be in health. What can I say more.

No. 65.

TO NABOB MAHOMED ALLY CAWN.

DATED THE 7TH APRIL 1748.

I have received the Letter You have done me the honour to Write me. Our Ships from Europe with all manner of Stores are now very soon Expected and it will not be in my Power to Assist Shaick Mehomoody whom your Excellency has sent to purchase Stores till that time and will then give you Advice of it. The Two Cowhorns you sent us are at present in use here, and your Excellency may depend upon being Supplied with Everything you want when our Ships with Stores arrive. The Enemy being so Near we have not Gunners to Spare at present.

Your Excellency desires to know how many Ships are arriv'd from Europe. Three came here a few days agoe and brings us Advice of a Great many more coming with Warlike stores of all kinds and a great many Soldiers we have now here about twenty Ships and hope in a short time to Send your Excellency advice that we have Reveng'd ourselves on our Enemys. Who are so not only to Us but to the Circar. I am to thank you for your good inclination towards me and will frequently Write to you as you desire. What can I say more.

No. 66.

TO SAMPETROY THE DIVAN.

DATED THE 7TH APRIL 1748.

I have receiv'd your Letter relating to the Vessells that were burnt at Pondicherry. The Gomastas have made out a very false Story to you. The Grain was purchased by the French to the North . . . . who hired the Vessells for Which the

Owners were paid a very great freight and with a promise that in case any Accident happen'd to the Vessells they to make it good to the Owners, and they must do it, but I see they are endeavouring to give you an ill Oppinion of Us, neither Goods nor Money were taken away but I must inform you it is a Custom among Us to prevent all manner of Supplys of Provisions going to the Enemy and do frequently Burn the Vessells that are in harbour and this is done On both Sides. I hope you'll be fully Satisfyd with what I wrote you and I doubt not but you have and will Always find the English Nation Nay greater regard to the circar then the French. What can I say more.

No. 67.

From Sampetroy the Divan.

Rec^d. the 7th April 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that Vizagapatam Raja used to Send his Grain Vessells to Madrass and the English Governours at that place had always Assisted in his Affairs. Now the said Raja frequently sends his Said Vessells to your Port under the management of Jayantry Ramah and as there is perfect Unity between me and the said Raja, I hope you'll look upon his Affairs as my Own, and give your Assistance towards it. What can I say more.

No. 68.

From the Phousdar of Chelembaram.

Dated the 9th April 1748.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that I have on this day began the Marriage of my Daughter and as there is a Strict friendship subsists between us from Old Times I thought fit to Advise you therewith hoping that you Would be so good as to honour the guests with your Company and be present at the Celeberation of the said Marriage. What can I say more.

No. 69.

From Hussain Sayead Cawn the Mensebdar at Vikervandy.

Received the 9th of April 1748.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that there was intercourse of Letters between me and your Prodecessors but on your part you never sent me Letters which I think is Owing to the great business under your hand at present, I now send one Mahomed Abdull Gaphoor to you to give you full account of our old friendship and desire you to maintain your Corrispondance with me.

I have been informed that there are some Elepants, horses etc., Goods arrived at your place for Sale, I did therefore Order the said Mahomed Abdull Gaphoor to Buy for me what Cattles and Goods he likes best; I hope you will be so Good as to give Strict Orders to your People both at the Gates and other places not to hinder his coming to you for timely Assistance. What can I say more.

No. 70.

To Hussain Sayead Cawn.

Dated the 9th April, 1748.

I have received Your Friendly Letter and given particular Orders that Mahomed Gaphoor is Assisted with Everything he has Occasion for at this place.

I shall Always be glad to hear of your Wellfare and to Assist you with what this Place Affords. What can I say more.

No. 71.

FROM THE KING OF TANJOOR.

REC^D THE 12TH APRIL 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to receive your Letter wherein you mention that Some people from Carrical have Seiz'd Six of the horses design'd for you and carry'd 'em away and that I should insist upon those Evil doers to return 'em to me, I must inform you, that the People who were carrying 'em to Negapatam did not give me the least notice of it, if they had Acquainted me with it, I would have Ordered a party of horse and foot to Convey 'em safe to the said place; When the said Robbery was Committed some of my Troops were in Tervaloor near Negapatam and on their hearing of it, did pursue the Robbers but they got away and arrived Safe into their Own place. It wont be improper to remark that when my Force have persued 'em, they put Two Men to the Sword and took Two others live whom I have Ordered to be imprisoned and they still remain in Prison; The French for these several Years past seek Opportunities of Committing such hostilities in my Limits but as my times and thoughts were employed upon setling Affairs in Certain places I did not punish 'em as they deserved. Now I am demanding the horses of 'em but in my Oppinion they won't return us Unless they were punish'd; You may Observe that my Force is ready to Join you ag^t them and if you Consider of a proper Method which we should take to punish 'em and write to me thereof I will then employ my Force to proceed against them; I must repeat it to you that my Force is ready to Join you upon all Occasions and if our people had given me the least Notice of Carrying the horses to Negapatam I could have prevented the Accidents which have befallen 'em; Agreeable to your Request I am insisting upon the French to Deliver up the horses to me and will Advise you what shall pass hereafter upon that Affair. What can I say more.

No. 72.

TO THE SAMPETROY THE DIVAN.

DATED THE 15TH APRIL 1748.

I have Received the Letter You was pleasd to write me and Understand the Contents in regard to the Grain Vessells they Shall have all reasonable encouragement. Jointa Ramiah is now come here and we Shall agree prefectly well together.

I am told you are pleased to give Orders to Stop all manner of Provisions and Grain going into Pondicherry. This Shews You are a Friend to us, and you cannot do us greater Service. I hope in a Short time we shall be able to punish the Enemy as they deserve And then the Country will be settled. What can I say more.

P.S.— I am told there is a great deal of Grain comes in Daily to Pondicherry from the Northward by way of Wardawash, Chitapute Colowcote. I beg your Interest in this Affair and that You will please to put a Stop to it.

No. 73.

FROM SAMPETROY THE DIVAN.

REC^D THE 19TH APRIL 1748.

I have been informed that Vizayarama Raja sent his Grain Vessells to yr Port under the Management of Jayanta Ramiah his Gomastah According to your desire and that you have promised him that he shall be at liberty to sell the Grain at his Own price at Fort St. David. Now I hear that some of your People insist upon selling the said Grain to 'em or to the Others Cheaper then the Bazar rate which being refused by the Owner they have caus'd the Grain to remain in hopes Unsold, you may Observe that this will certainly occasion loss to the said Raja who is my good friend, I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to you hoping that you

would permit the Grain to be sold to the Inhabitants according to the Bazar rate. Don't Suffer anything to be done Contrary to Sallabad Custom. What can I say more.

No. 74.

From the Phousdar of Chelamberam.

Recd the 20th April, 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that out of my true regard and friendship to you I take the liberty of sending you a Present of Ten Jacks and hope you'll accept 'em; Believe me to be yr real friend and continue to write me of the Occurrences of your place and of what I can be of Service to you in these parts. What can I say more.

No. 75.

To the King of Tanjoor.

Dated the 20th April 1748.

I have received Your Majesty's Letter in Answer to mine wherein I acquainted You that the French had seiz'd upon Six horses that belonging to the English Company. My people were much in the wrong that they did not apply to Your Majesty and acquaint you of their design to set out. You would then have given them such advices and Assistance that might have been of Service to them and prevented the loss that we have Sustain'd. I hope Your Majesty will meet with Success in Demanding the Names and as they were Seiz'd upon in Your Territories you Certainly have a Right to receive them again but I find the French Shew no regard to your Majesty, the time is near at hand for us to punish them for the many bad actions they have [done] and you may be Assured we [shall] soon be revenged on them. When the proper time is come I will Advice Your Majesty of it that you may join your Forces with Ours for their more Speedy ruin. What can I say more.

No. 76.

To Sompetroy Duan at Arcott.

Dated the 20th April 1748.

Yesterday I had the honour to receive Your Letter relating to the Grain Merchants in this place Jointa Rama Arrived here a few days past and I have settled this Affair to his Satisfaction and he is now Selling the Grain in the publick Market or you may depend upon it that I shall not Suffer any thing to be done here contrary to Sallabad. What can I say more.

No. 77.

To the Phousdar of the Chellumbrum.

Dated the 20th April, 1748.

I have the pleasure to receive two Letters to you of this date Your kind present of Jacks I have received and for Which I return you my thanks. I am looking out for some more Rose Water to send you, but I find it very different to get any, but I will make strict enquiry after it. As there is a perfect friendship between Us. I shall be always Glad to hear of Your Health and Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 78.

To Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Dated the 20th April 1748.

This is On purpose to advise Your Excellency that I am inform'd Sardy Inhabitants of the Towns and Villages about Madrass go into that Town and purchase of the French the house and Metinals, such as Doors and Windows, Timbers, Planks, Palmeiras etc., and this they do because they buy them at a Cheap rate. I hope your Excellency will please to put a Stop to it, as in the End the Inhabitants of the Several Towns and Villages that purchase these Matinals will be sufferers. But as the English Expect soon to have possession of Madrass again, Care will be taken to enquire after the Metinals of the houses so sold and will be taken away from them without any return of Money. Which I do not at all doubt but your Excellency will think very reasonable. What can I say more.

No. 79.

From the Phousdar of Chellumbrum.

Recd the 20th April 1748.

I have received your Letter wth the present you sent me according to the List as mark of your Joy for the Wedding and am very much pleased with your Civility. You was pleased to mention Concerning the friendship between Us, as it Subsists from long time I wish that it may be encreas'd and that you may Obtain your desire. The Flask of Rose Water you sent me is Arrived just in time of Need, I have Occasion for One or Two more to mix it in Physick, As there is a perfect friendship between us I make bold to trouble you to favour me with one or Two Flasks of Rose Water, in which you'll much Oblige me. What can I say more.

A List of the Present receiv'd —

Superfine	3 yards.
Aurora	6 do.
Shawl	1
Emboss'd Cloth	1
Sugar	3 maunds.
Sugar Candy	3 do.
Rose Water	1 Flask.

No. 80.

From the Phousdar of Chullumbrum.

Rec'd the 22nd April 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint You that when lately the Governour of Bencoolin was Sick in this place, there came a Doctor from your place and gave him Physick; I have discours'd with the said Governour about the said Docter; As I have a Certain fit of Sickness upon me at present I think fit to Apply to the said Docter for Cure and hope therefore that you would be pleased to send him to me with 20, days liberty; As there is a perfect friendship between us, I took the liberty to trouble you with this request. Pray Grant it to me that our friendship may be Strengthned. What can I say more.

No. 81.

From Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Rec'd the 23rd April 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that Shaick Beheamulla has wrote to me that when your People Carry Grain etc., Goods to Fort St. David they won't pay Customs on the same, as also the Merchants, who carry their Own Grain in your

Name without paying Customs, which is not proper, I therefore hereby require you to order your people to pay Customs as Usual and likewise to Enjoin the Merchants to enter their Names at the Custom houses and pay Customs according to Sallabad Custom. What can I say more.

No. 82.

From the Phousdar of Tevenepatam Country.

Rec'd the 24th April, 1748.

I have received your friendly Letter wherein you Order'd me to let Certain Bags of horse Grame belonging to the Company pass free. Let me take the liberty to acquaint you that from these 3 year's last past no horse Grame was Carry'd into your place thro' my Limits expect 40 or 50 Bags which was on the last year and the same was carry'd by the Way of Sarady and Ramapuram Mettoos, at which time the Custom was insisted upon it, but Wishanada Redy came and requested of me to let 'em pass free of Customs, in order to Oblige him I have granted his request at that time, Now I am Willing to Oblige you by permitting to pass the same quantity for the present thro' it be contrary to Sallabad. I was told the quantity of horse Grame which you write about is between 2 or 3 hundred Bags, how can it be that I let 'em pass without Customs; which will certainly Occassion great loss to the Circars incombrs; Please to Observe that the Nabob was pleased to entrust me with the Management of Collecting Customs and I hope therefore that you would take the Above into your Consideration and order your Gomastas to pay Customs upon horse Grame According to Sallabad. What can I say more.

Translate of a Letter from Rangopuntoloo Havildar of Trivedee to Rangapah,

Rec'd the 26th April, 1748.

I am in perfect health and hope You enjoy the same. I must inform you that your people are purchasing about three or four hundred Sheeps in my Country and carrying them into your Bounds every Month without paying any Custom to the Circar and besides this some of your People have carried a large Number of Sheeps Clandistinly into your Bounds. My Master will be very much displeas'd with me if he Should hear of the said Actions, I do now advise you in a friendly manner that I will demand no Custom if yr people carry but 100 sheep per Month, and if they do carry more, I must certainly demand Custom on it, I therefore desire you will Order your People not to carry more than the premention'd Number of 100 Sheeps in a Month, nor carry any Clandistinaly without the knowledge of the Circars Customers; If you have an Occasion for a large Number of Sheep, You must in such case Reward my Master as it has been Usual or otherwise he will Certainly Seize on them I referr it to Your Consideration and desire you will always Advise me of Your health. What can I say more.

No. 83.

From Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Rec'd the 27th April, 1748.

I have been informed that Certain Persons in your place took possession of Ahamed Beg's Effects who was killed lately; Now One Meer Cutabeddeen who is a heir to the said Ahemed Beg is come to you and I hope therefore that you would order the People who have the said Effects in possession to Deliver 'em to the said Meer Cutabeddeem. What can I say more.

No. 84.

To the Harvildar of Tevenepatam.

Dated the 27th April, 1748.

It is with some Surprize that I hear You have detain'd a great many ox loads of the Companys Grame so long. Yóu know it has been usual to pay no duty on anything belonging to the Company and because you may not be imposs'd upon I shall send my Chop upon seeing which you may be Assur'd who it belongs to, and anything without it must pay duty there has been a Strict friendship between us therefore am much Surprized You should use me in this manner. I expect a favourable Answer to this Letter and must tell you I will not be impos'd upon. What can I say more.

No. 85.

To the Phousdar of Chellumbrum.

Dated the 26th April, 1748.

I received the Letter You wrote wherein You request I will send You a Doctor as you have a fitt of sickness upon you. Agreeable to your desire I have sent you a very good one and I hope he will be of Service to you. As there is a perfect Friendship between Us I am at all times ready to serve You. What can I say more.

No. 86.

To Nabob Anerverdee Cawn.

Dated the 28th, 1748.

Your Excellency wrote me that the Phousdar of Tevenduporam had wrote you there was an ill use made of the liberty you had Granted me in regard to the dustocks. I have made due enquiry into it and must inform your Excellency there is no truth in it. What give Occasion for such a Suspition in this, having Occasion for so large a quantity of all Sorts of Provisions for the Great Number of Men we have and for those On board the king's ships; which is now ten times the quantity to What we us'd to have. I must Advise Your Excellency that some days past I had Advise of some hundred ox loads of Grame being Stop'd near Tevenepatam and also some of the Campys Cloth and I wrote about it to the Phousdar there and Assur'd him it belong'd to the Company and because he might not be imposs'd on in future I mention'd that I would always send my Chop with the Compys Goods, that he might know them and therefore pass them free, but if he saw no Chop of mine than the Goods were to pay duty as not belonging to the Company notwithstanding my Writing to him in this manner and sending people to him about it he kept the Grame and the Cloth 4 days and set a Guard upon it. As this was highly Unreasonable. This Morning sent us a party of Men to bring away the said Goods and the people with them if they would not deliver them. The Goods were accordingly releas'd. But my people brought the Havildar away with them, which was Contrary to Order and they have Received a Check for it I hope your Excellency will please to write to him about it, as I look upon it to be a great Show direspect in him to your Excellency in not passing the Companys Goods Agreeable to your dustocks. What can I say more.

No. 87.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

May the 1st Anno 1748.

I had the honour to receive your Pervanah concerning Ahamed Beg's Effects; Meer Cutabeddeem the heir to the said Ahemed Begs has sent me a Messenger and informed me that Tomby Shaw's Brother who was the Inhabitants of Cuddalore was

in Possession of the said Effects, upon which I have Ordered a Peon to go with the said Messenger and bring him to me that I might examine him about it, but they brought word that the Man has left Cuddalore sometime ago and gone to Cuddepah, so that I can do Nothing in this Affair and leave it to your Excellency as he is now in the Circars Country. What can I say more.

No. 88.

From Shaick Mahomed Hamed the Phousdar of Bonagary.

Received the 2nd of May, 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that sometime ago I have lately receiv'd a Letter from Rangapah Dubash Acquainting me that my people frequently Stop the Company's Chinam Boat in the River at Tagavelly under my Government and that I should Order 'em not to Stop it, But I answered him that the Fishers have rented the Fishes in the said River for One thousand Cheeras and that they intend to Cast Nets in a Short time so that he Should Order the Boats not to pass that River only for 15 days that the Fishers might not be disturb'd thereby and be shealtered for the loss of the Circars incombes; Now I was told that some of your people went and Seiz'd upon the Overseer at the said River and after they gave him some hard blows forced him to go to you and that they have robbed him of Everything he had about him; As there is a perfect friendship between Us I am always ready to Dispatch the Company's Business which you shall pleas'd to write to me for knowing that each other's Limits are not far off, I am apt to think that this Violence was Committed by your people unknown to You which has Certainly deprived the Whole incombe of the said Tagavelly which is 4,000, Cheeras. I must desire you therefore to Check your people for their insolence and to release and the Overseer and also to restore which they have taken from him. Please to lay your Strict Orders on them not to commit the like Violence for the future. Continue to Write to me of your health and Wellfare and of what I can be of Service to you in these parts. What can I say more.

No. 89.

From Comarapah sorting Canicoply at Conjeveram to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr., the Governour of Fort St. David, etc.

Council, May 1748.

I beg leave to acquaint your honour etc., that out of the Company's Chints in the hands of Tanapah the Painter. 534 Peices of Moorees and $250\frac{1}{2}$ peices of Sanoes were finish'd in Ercam and carryed to Pullicatt where they were shipp'd On board of his Majesty's Ship to be Convey'd to Fort St. David. I must inform your honour etc., that the said Chints were finish'd in an excellent manner and that the Difference between the Worse which Tanapah was Ordered to paint and those of the Other's will be 10 Peices, in every Corge, so that Tanapa's loss in finishing the Whole at your Own hire would Amount to 300 Peices; He has paid P. 110, to Pullicat Governour On Account of Presents. If your honour etc., think fit you may allow him something in Addition to the former hire, if not, I hope you'll send me the Ballance of the Account which Tanapah had deliver'd to Mr. Thomas Cook Junr together wth the other sums added together as per Particulars here under Written.

I think it necessary to inform your honour etc., that Rangasoy and Venkataputty the broaker who had been lately at Fort St. David to make their Address to your honour concerning the Company's Chints in their hands, had play'd tricks and sold some of 'em for their Own Use. Tho' the Cloth in their hands were three quarter part finish'd yet they have represented to you quite otherwise and by means of Gruapack Mr Morse's Dubash received the full hire from your honour etc., Now they have Brought some p^s out of what they had sold as above. Tanapah did not behave himself in this manner in respect to the Cloth in his hands. He had lost some Chints in plunder but to perform his promise with your honour etc., he has been at Expence to Buy

Cloth from the weavers in room of 'em to paint. As Soon as Madrass was settled the truth of the foregoing will Appear by the Company Painters, Conicoply's etc. I thought fit to Advise your honour etc., with the foregoing at present.

Account Particulars.

Ballance of the Account Paintings Deliver'd to Mr. Thomas Cook Junr	230	0	0
Packing 8 Bales to be Shipp'd at Pullicat	13	0	0
Boat hire do.	2	18	0
Cooley hire	1	27	0
Paid the Peon	0	18	0
Presents to the Pullicat Governour	110	0	0
Pagodas ..	357	27	0

Be so Good as to Send this Money to me by Supramoney the Peon and then I will get the remaining Chints finish'd to be sent you; I hope your honour etc., will not hearken to what Tanapah shall say to you concerning the loss he had Sustained as it would be Unreasonable to introduce a fresh Story before you on that head.

No. 90.

To the Phousdar of Bonagary.

Dated the 8th May, 1748.

I have received your Letter and Observed the Contents. Before I receiv'd the Letter I have Check'd my People for What they had done to the Overseer and ordered what they had taken from him and from the others with him to be Restored which was Accordingly done and the receipts were taken. On the Receipt of your Letter I made further enquirey into this Affair and upon Strict examination it appeared that our Peons had detained only One fire Lock and a Knife which I have Ordered to be Deliver'd to your People; As there is a Strict friendship between Us, I hope you'll not Suffur your people to hinder the Company's Business for the future. As for my part you'll always find me very ready to Serve you in What I can. What can I say more.

No. 91.

A Letter from Moortezally Cawn Nabob of Vellore to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Rec'd the 10th May, 1748.

Tho' I have not had the pleasure of receiving a Letter from You for a long time Yet the Friendship which Subsisted between your Prodecessors and me from a long time Obliges me to write you and to enquire into Your health and how everything goes on with you, and assure you that I am ready to Serve you in anything that lyes in my power.

I have sent One of my Officers Named Shaick Homed to purchase Almonds Sugar candy etc., at Your place, and I hope You'll please to Order Your People to Assist him in the purchase thereof.

Pray continue to Advice me of your health and Wellfare.

No. 92.

From Meer Hussain Cawn Brother to Meera Saut and the Killadar of Veldavoor Fort.

Recd the 15th May, 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that the desire which I have to pay you a Visit is inexpressibly great and that it is not in my power to write it down with Pen. You may be Assur'd that you are Always in my thoughts and hope you'll on your part not forget me.

I have been to Chetput about some Wordly Affairs and Staid there 8 Months, wch was the Reason that I did not send you Letters of friendship, as there is a lasting friendship between Us, I thought you would have remember'd me wth Letters During that time but you did not, As there was Neglect on both sides, We are not to reflect upon what had pass'd, But for the future I hope You'll continue Your Corrispondence with me. If I can be of any Service to You write to me. What can I say more.

No. 93.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF CHELAMBARAM.

RECD THE 18TH MAY, 1748.

I take the liberty to acquaint you that the Docter whom you was pleased to send me some days agoe staiy'd with me 3 days and gave me a purge which has weakn'd me very much but he would not stay no longer at that time but return'd to your place I then paid him P. 5 and wrote to you fully upon that matter. You was again pleas'd to send him to me, at this time, he has stay'd with me 8 days during which time he gave me Physick Twice and Claped a kind of Poltice once to my Legs, this was so hott that the Gold Ring which I wore on my fingers turnd white and it not only Created Disorders in the Body but made my Tongue sore, it was great Difficulty to me to drink Water, at that time, the Docter offer'd to give me a Vomit but I desired him to deferr it 2 days but he did not hear me. On the Contrary he has left me and come away to your place, at the time of his Departure I offer'd him P. 10 for his Expences but he did not accept of it. As there has been a perfect friendship between Us, I have troubled you to send me good Docter, but the Docter that has been wth me gave me such Physick which I cant tell what it was, indeed it has Created Disorders in my Body. Now I send you by the Bearer P. 10 wch I hope you will pay the said Docter, I thought fit to Advise you with the foregoing, and if the Docter says anything to the Contrary Don't believe him; What can I say more.

No. 94.

TO THE PHOUSDAR OF CHELAMBARAM.

DATED THE 19TH MAY, 1748.

I have received your Letter and Observed the Contents; Concerning the Docter you mention Rangapah will write to you more fully; I wish you health and Success. What can I say more.

No. 95.

FROM COJA HEDAYET ALLAH THE PHOUSDAR OF TERCOVALOOR ETC.,
TO THE WORSHIP CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 20TH MAY, 1748.

I was Extreamly glad to receive your Letter wherein you have desired me to Order the Compan's Cowes to pass free thro' my Limits; I must tell you that these Cowes were Stopt by my People at the Mettoos on Account of Duty Unknown to me, but on Receipt of your Letter I knowing that they belong'd to the Company, sent an express to the said people to free 'em; I hope the Cowes are Brought now to your place. Continue to write to me of your health and Wellfare and of what I can be of Service to you in these parts. What can I say more.

No. 96.

To the Phousdar of Bonagary

Dated the 23rd May, 1748.

I have received your Letter and Observ'd the Contents thereof. You desired me to send Narain Redy to you; I have Order'd some of my Peons to go along with your hircaras and search him as they have Accordingly Search'd him all thro' my Limits for these Several days and he was not to be found, this was the Reason of my delay in Sending my Answer to the Letter before Now, I hope the hircaras will give you full account of the foregoing. What can I say more.

No. 97.

From the Phousdar of Cowalong.

Recd the 25th May 1748.

I was extreamly glad to receive your friendly Letter wherein you mention that the Palligar of this place has Carry'd away some of Mr. Munroes Cowes; I must acquaint you that when the said Cowes were Carry'd One Antajee Pandet was the Phousdar of this place, but since I was made the Phousdar, the said Pulligar has Committed Certain Crimes and fled from his Pallum and he is not to be found at present, I hope you have heard of it; Believe me to be your friend and Continue to write to me of your health and wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 98.

From Shaick Mahomed Hamed the Phousdar of Porto Novo, Bonagary Etc.

Recd the 3rd of June, 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that Certain Fishers Inhabitants of Tagavely Under the Government of Bonagary Country request'd a Cowel of me to Demand no more Rent from them than what was usual in the Government of Antajee Pandit my Prodecessor and to that end and purpose they have lately left their Village and gon to your place. As the Drawing of Chaur in the River must be soon done an Overseer under me has wrote to 'em three Several times promissing them to grant their Request in respect to the Cowel if they would come, but they have not hitherto come, On the Contrary, make Several excuses; As We are Neighbours in respect to Our Limits I Often take the liberty to trouble you with Affairs regarding my Governm[t]. I hope therefore that you would Order the Company's Servants under you to promise them the Cowel According to their desire and to Send them hither, If they did not hear them, Please to order that they may be Oblig'd to return to their Village. Drawing of the Chaur is now entirely depends upon them, if they Neglect to come at this time it will occasion loss to the Circar's incombes, I must desire you therefore to encourage them and send them to me which I'll take as a very great favour. What can I say more.

No. 99.

To Nabob Nazerjing.

Dated the 5th June, 1748.

By Mootal I had the Satisfaction, to receive Your Excellency's Letter and Presents he has inform'd me of Everything that pass'd between your Excellency and him and the kindness You was pleas'd to express in regard to our Nation I have also receiv'd severals Phirmaunds Your Excellency was pleas'd to send me which will be made Use of as Occasion requires. I wish Your Excellency had come to Arcott as at

first we heard was Your Design that I might have had an Opportunity of Sending two Gentlemen to you with my Compliments and besides to let your Excellency into a true State of your Affairs, but as it happen'd otherwise I hope to have another Opportunity for it at present our Affairs are in a happy Situation we have a large force Shortly expected from England sufficient to root out our Enemy's from every Corner they may Creep into it was in our power when Our ships of War first came into this Country to have taken Pondicherry, but we had so much regard for the Interest of the Circar, that we would not molest the Enemy ashore as all this Country belongs to the Mogul and under his protection, but the faithless French have not look'd upon it in the same light, but took the first Opportunity of destroying Madrass. Without showing any regard to the Interest of the Circar but as they have made a beginning we must revenge ourselves for the Affront done both to the Settlement and Us, and I do not doubt but your Excellency will approve of it and give us all the Assistance we may desire. I wish your Excellency health and long life. What can I say more.

No. 100.

To Nabob Abdull Nabley Cawn Nabob of Cuddapah.

Dated the 15th June, 1748.

By Mootal I have receivd your Excellencys Letter and I am Glad to find he is come back with so much Success. Which I am Sensible must be owing greatly to Your Excellency's Interest with Nabob Nazir jeng I am also extream[ly] Sensible of Nabob Hedader Cawn's kindness join'd with yours in representing Our Affairs to his Excellency in a proper light. Mootal has informed me of all. I wish Your Excellency had come nearer to Us, that I might have had it more in my power to have Shewn my Acknowledgment to you, as you are pleasd to Advise I remain perfectly easy and I do not at all doubt but the force that is coming to us from Europe will be Sufficient to destroy the Enemy who have all along Shewn no Regard to the Interest of the Circar. I will write frequently to Your Excellency agreeable to Your desire and Wish you a Continuance of health. What can I say more.

The same to Nabob Bahaudar Cawn the Nabob of Candanoor with only the difference of the Name in the Letter.

No. 101.

To Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Dated the 15th April, 1748.

By Mootal I receiv'd Your Excellencys Letter, I am Glad to hear he has given You a full Account of Our Affairs and of Our perfect Obedience and Sincere Friendship to your Excellency. This you must be sensible of as the English have Offended the Circar, or Acted otherwise than for the Interest of it. The English at Madrass and at this place always gave protection to the Gentlemen of your Nation belonging to Arcot and other places. When the Morattas came into these ports *(sic)* they were always Well received and their Effects taken care Off till the troubl's were over, this has been several times the Case, Which your Excellency I make no doubt has heard of. Mootal has fully Acquainted me with the regard your Excellency is pleas'd to Express towards me, and I must Assure your Excellency that I am perfectly easy touching Our Affairs depending at the Circar. I am inform'd your Excellency has got ready Several Letters to send about to all the Killedars, Havildars and Polligars. I shall write to you when I have Occasion then. I wish your Excellency health. What can I say more.

No. 102.

FROM SHAICK REHEAMULLA THE PHOUSDAR OF TEVENDAPOOR.

JUNE THE 7TH 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that some of your People went to Tondamanatem Under my Government and forced one Monaletta Padayackey One of the husbandmen of that Village to go to Fort St. David and there to make an Anchor; I must inform your Worship that the said Padayackey is the husbandmen, who plants Corn to the Amount of One hundred Cheeras, I hope therefore that you would order to send him to me that I [he] may follow his Own Occupation.

What can I say more.

No. 103.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDEE CAWN.

RECD THE JUNE, 1748.

I have received your Letter and observed what you have wrote to me Concerning the Materials of the houses at Madrass, and agreeable to your request I will give the Necessary Orders to the Phousdars of the Circar's Country round about Madrass in that Affair; You may be Assur'd of my good inclination to you and Continue to write to me of your Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 104.

FROM SAMPETROY.

RECD THE JUNE, 1748.

I have receiv'd your Letter and observ'd what you have wrote me Concerning yr Sloop that was wreck and agreeable to your desire I have wrote to Heraset Cawn etc.; requiering 'em to order their servants in their Limits to Act agreeable to Sallabad about the said Sloop and not to take upon themselves to Stop it contrary to Salabad Custom. Continue to write me of yr health and Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 105.

TO THE PHOUSDAR OF BONAGARY.

JUNE THE ANNO 1748.

I have Recd your letter Concerning the Fishers & as there is no Compulsion ever practic'd in our Government I have Order'd your hircaras for to bring Venketaramee an overseer of this Village to reconcile the Difference in an amicable manner but they did not; If the said Overseer would come hither & make it up with the Fisher's, you may depend upon it that I will never hinder them from going to your place.

What can I say more.

No. 106.

FROM HUSSAN CAWN TAHER.

RECD THE 15TH JUNE, 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that I am sorry that you did not write me a Letter for this long time and hope you'll for the future in Continuance of the Old Friendship please me with your Letters; as there is a Wedding to be made at Nabob

Mahomed Ally Cawn's, he has sent his People to your place for to buy Ten Candes of Sugar and Sugar Candy, Two Chests of Rose Water, Two Candy's of Almonds & peice Goods such as Rajamellys &ca, I must desire you therefore to Order your People to Use their best endeavours & buy these Goods for 'em at the Cheapest rate.

What can I say more.

No. 107.

To Hussain Toyer.

Dated 15th June 1748.

Mootal has given you a full Account of Our Affairs & of our perfect Obedience and sincere friendship to you, this you must be Sensible of as the English never Offend'd the Circar or Acted otherwise than for the Interest of it, Mootal has acquainted me with the regard you pleas'd to Express towards me, wch has given me a great Joy I doubt not but the Friendship that Subsisted between Us from a long time will Encrease daily. We are Still waiting for Our great Reinforcement from England, which I hope will Arrive in a few days, Shall then proceed against the French.

I hope you Will Always advise me of your Wellfare.

No. 108.

From Nabob Aneverdee Cawn to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 15th June, 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that Nabob Nauser Jung thro' his unbound'd goodness was pleas'd to send a Letter to me Confirming me in my Government, I now send you the Copy of the same in order to make you Sensible of some Certain matters, You'll find that the said Copy fully testifyes the marks of his Excellency's esteem & favours to me; you may be assur'd of my good inclination to you & Continue to write to me of your health.

What can I say more.

No. 109.

The Copy of Nauser Jung's Letter to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Recd the 8th June, 1748.

This is to Acquaint you that on the 21st of the last Month by the Will of Heaven our Lord (meaning Nizam his Father) depart'd this life to my inexpressible Grief and Sorrow and as no Man can oppose the Will of God I Submitted to his pleasure. It was a thing well known to the World that my deceas'd Father had great esteem & favour for you, knowing you to be faithfull & obedient to him; You may be Assured that I shall esteem you more than him; I hope Mahaphooz Cawn has given you a full Account of the Several favours which I have Shewn lately in your Affairs. I now hereby Confirm you in your Government of the Carnateck Country & as more favours shall be shewn you, I hope you'll be perfectly easy & that you'll regulate the Affairs in your Government regarding both the Country & the Forts. Punish those that would raise Disturbances. I hereby require you to collect the Circars revenues & send it Continually to me;

What can I say more.

No. 110.

From Shaick Hamed the Phousdar of Bonagary, Porto Novo, &ca.

Recd the 16th June, 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that one Weshanada Redy the Chief Inhabitants of Bonagary Country acted against the Interest of the Circar & rais'd Disturbances in the Several Villages belonging to the said Country, but I have muster'd a Force & punish'd him, at length he was expell'd the Circar's bounds, which I hope you know of; Now One Narrain Redy a manager under the said Weshanada Redy has taken his Residence in Weshanada Redy's house at Terpapulore under your Jurisdiction & from thence takes frequent Opportunities of sowing desensions in the Affairs of the Circar and to Disturb the Other Inhabitants; I think all this is done unknown to you; As there are the mean Wretches & as there is a perfect friendship between us I hope you'll look upon my Government as same as yours & Order your people to Seize upon the said Narain Redy & Deliver him to my people that they may bring him to me; In doing which you'll vastly Oblige me & Shall take it as a very great favour; Continue to write to me of your health & Wellfare of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

What can I say more.

No. 111.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

June the 20th 1748.

I have receiv'd your Excellency's Perwanah together with a Copy of Nauser Jung's Letter to your Excellency & Observ'd the Contents. It was a great deal of Satisfaction for me to find that you was Confirm'd by Nausir Jung in your Government of the Carnateck Country & for Which I take the liberty to Congratulate you & wish that your Excellency may Enjoy long life & prosperity.

The French had the rashness to Attack Cuddalore with a large Number of Men On the 17th Instant but by the help of God and your Excellency's favour, Our Army have been so Successfull that they have not only kill'd or Wounded several of 'em but took a great many Prisoners and at length they have made very Shamefull retreat, I thought proper to Advise your Excellency of it & hope to take our revenge on them in a short time.

What can I say more.

P.S.—As your Excellency was Confirm'd in your Station as above, I take the liberty of sending you a Present of 11 Moharies as a Mark of my Joy & hope you'll Accept of it.

Translate of a Letter from the Moratta Phattashing to Mootal.

Dated the 26th Feby & Recd the 21st June, 1748.

Beemajee Anent have Represented me the Transactions of Madrass; I am resolv'd to bring my Army to the Province of Curnatick accompanied with Ragoajee Bonsla General, you may Send a proper person to give me a full Account of the said Transactions wth all speed & I will take care to Settle Everything according to Your desire after my Arrival there.

All the Rest you will know by the Letter of Beemajee Anent.

What can I say more.

No. 112.

FROM BEEMAJEE ANENT TO MOOTAL.

I am in perfect health & I hope you enjoy the same, I have heard of your good Character during my abode at Trichenopoly, it is now sometime agoe I came to Cetaira, Phattashing & Ragoajie Bonsla have been pleas'd to take me into their Service.

I am inform'd the Disturbanc's depending between the French & English, the French have sent people to the said Generals, concerning some design You a Man of discreation which makes me Advise you of it as I am Always desirous of the Englishes Interest & I persuade you to send a proper person to the said Generals to request their favour & Assistance to the English, the Generals have sent a Letter to you about it, you may Send a proper person to keep up agood Friendship with the Generals, which will be a great Advantage to the English, You know very Well the Week Conditions of the Moors at Delly, King Shan Rauza has sent Numajee General with (100,000) Horse to their Assistance this is the proper Opportunity for you to keep up a good Friendship with the Generals. Vencatachelum & Vencatram Urcar's will inform you the Rest.

You must pay the Urcar's 25 Rupees for their Travelling Charges of coming to You with the General's Letter.

What can I say more.

No. 113.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF CHELEMBARAM.

RECD THE 23RD JUNE, 1748.

It was inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction to me to hear that your People have gained a Compleat Victory over the french for Which I hereby Congratulate you & all our friends & wish the Almighty God may grant you further Victory.

What can I say more.

No. 114.

THE ANSWER TO THE FOREGOING LETTER.

I was Extreamly Oblig'd to you for the Compliment you have paid me in Congratulating me for the Victory which was Gain'd over the french, & as you are a real friend to our Nation & as there is a perfect Unity between Us I on my part take the liberty to wish you Joy upon the same subject. By the Blessing of God I have a firm hope to give you an Account of further Victory in a short time to your Ample Satisfaction.

What can I say more.

No. 115.

TO THE KING OF ATCHEEN.

DATED THE 2D JULY, 1748.

May it please your Majesty. By your ship I have Recd the honour of Your Letter & it was with great pleasure that I recd it & also the presents Your Majesty was pleas'd to Send me.

I am Glad to hear that you Recd my Letter I sent Your Majesty by Capt Byer's in a Friendly manner and that the Small present Sent was Acceptable to you.

Your people have brought a Ship here, as no Brigantine was to be had that they liked I have also Appointed them in getting everything else they Wanted. Except the pins wch at present I cannot Spare, As Your Majesty knows we are at Warr with

the French. They are of Use to Us, but as we have Several Ships daily Expect'd. I am in hopes they will bring us such as your Majesty wants & by another Conveyance will take care to Supply You.

I shall always be Ready to Assist Your Majesty's people that comes to this Port & as there is a great Friendshipbetween our two Nations I hope Your Majesty will give all manner of Assistance to such of our Ships as may go to your Port.

Capt Byers is Arriv'd here from Bencoolen.

I hope your Majesty Continu's in health and I prayGod to Grant you & your Family Success as long as the Sun & Moon endure.

What can I say more.

No. 116.

To the Four Viziers to the King of Pegue.

Dated the 2d July, 1748.

By CojaNicoes I had the honour to receive your Letter. I have given all the Assistance he could desire and granted him a Speedy dispatch he has inform'd me of the troubles that has lately happen'd in Your Kingdom & I must Observe in your Letter that you have Shewn a great deal of Wisdom for the good of the Kingdom in desposing the late King & setting up another who Acts According to equity & will do justice to the Merch[ts] & other Traders coming to your Port, for Without it no Trade can be carry'd on with Safety, nor will any Strangers come to you, without the Strictest justice done to them. And as you are Wise men, I do not doubt but God will direct you for the Best.

We have been at War with the French for near 4 years past which has put a Stop to all Trade at present, but I hope we Shall soon get the better of them and drive them out of India. When this Trouble is over our Ships will go to your Port as Usual to Trade, but in a Short time design to Send a Vessell over on purpose to pay a Compliment to his Majesty, in the meantime as you know the English to be a very just and faithfull Nation, desire You will not let the Dutch or anyother Nation settle among you, for by his Majesty's leave we hope to have that favour granted to Us alone.

I heartily Wish his Majesty health and prosperity And the same to you who are of his grand Council.

What can I say more.

No. 117.

From Shaick Beheamulla the Phousdar of Tervendapuram.

Recd the 3d July, 1748.

I take the liberty to acquaint yr honour that I have been inform'd that Mons Duplex Governour of Pondicherry has Spoke publickly to his People that the inquiry done to his Camp by Collema Naick the Pollygar of this place at the time of their late Expedition against Cuddalore was by my instigation and that he would first take his Revenge on me and then March against your place; This put me in Suspician & for own Safety I left this place & went to Verperma Nelloor under my Government & there I Stay'd some days, at length I return'd to Tervenduporam on the 28th Ultimo. I have wrote Letters to Nabob Aneverdy Cawn and Mahomed Ally Cawn wherein I have inform'd 'em that you was a brave General and that you have gaind a Compleat Victory over the French by putting their Army to the rout. I must now desire you to inform me with the French Governm[ts] present Designs if you are acquainted with it. However as I am neighbour to you I have firm hopes that your Goodness will protect me against the Enemy's insults. Don't forsake me.

God Grant your Success and Victory thro' Jesus Christ.

What can I say more.

No. 118.

To Shaick Reeheamulla Phousdar of Tevenduporam.

Dated the 4th July 1748.

I have Recd the Letter you have done me the honour to Write me. As to Your Writing that the French will take their Revenge on You. I must advise you not to regard any of their Threat for as soon as I hear they are Marching out. I will send out a Body of our Troops to take part with you & doubt not to drive them away with the same shame, as when they came against our Town of Cuddalore. You desire me to write you what the designs of the French Governour are—it is my Oppinion that he will not run the risk of sending his Troops here again but that he will keep within his own Limits the time being near at hand for Us to Account wth him for all his bad Actions. As there is a great friendship between us You may depend upon it I will not forsake you.

What can I say more.

No. 119.

From Mahomed Ally Cawn the Govr of Pelore to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 6th July Anno 1748. per Muttall.

It was an inexpressible Joy and Satisfaction to me to hear by Mutall's Letter of the Good News of the Victory you have Gain'd over the French & I return'd my Thanks to God who has been so mercifull to you & wish that his Divine Majesty may make you always Victorious. I hereby Congratulate you on your late Conquest. I have Occasion for Sugar, Sugar Candy &ca, Goods for the Use of my Daughter's Wedding & Nabob Mahomed Hussain Cawn has wrote you lately upon that Account & I now send you sender Pendet for the same business & hope you'll order some of the Company's Servants under you to procure them at the Cheapest rate. As for other matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of the said Pendet & hope you'll Dispatch them. Continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

P.S.—I havê great Occasion for one well looking Young Elephant &a Horse for the Use of Nabob Allydosta Cawn, the later ought to be Small & faultless. I must desire you to Order your Servants likewise for to procure these Cattle. The said Pendet will pay the price, I shall Esteem this as I particular mark of friendship to me.———

No. 120.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Dated the 20th July, 1748.

I take the liberty to address yr Excellency in behalf of an Old Servant to our Nation that retir'd into the Country after the loss of Madrass. The 11th of this Month the Gov. of Trivelore sent a party of horse for him & his Mother & carry'd him there & laid them both in Irons & under divers pretences demand'd a large Sum of Money from them. I hear since he has kill'd one of them, & the other expects the same fate soon if your Excellency does not prevent it & I must by you will put a Stop to such Arbitray procedings. As Your Excellency is a man of Justice & honour, I hope to have redress in this affair. I am now to acquaint your Excellency that our Ships from Europe are Safe Arriv'd with a great Number of forces on board which are now Landing & and in a very Short time hope to Revenge ourselves on the Common Enemy.

I wish your Excellency health & Long Life. What can I say more.

P.S.—Please to Order that whatever the said Governour has taken from the said Servant to be Restor'd.

No. 121.

To Phatta Shing from Mootal.

10th July, 1748.

I have Recd the honour of your Excellency's Letter & acquainted the Contents of it to his honour, who was extreamely Glad to hear of yr health and your Coming into this province, his honour payed his respects to your Excellency & desird that you'll continue the freindship Subsisted between you & him from Antient times & said that he will send a proper Person to wait upon you after your Arrival at this Province.

I beg the favour of your Excellency will please to Continue to honour me with the Letters of your health and prosperity.

No. 122.

From Murtaz Ally Cawn the Nabob of Valoor to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.,

Recd the 1748.

I have recd your Letter wherein your wrote to me that a Certain Seapoy under the Command of Nesbet Singa the Morattas having Stolen one of the Company's Horses, run away from your place hither and that I should examine into it & send the Horse to you; Agreeable to your request I have Examin'd into this Affair & at length I found that the said Seapoy lived in Cayalashe Gada & that he had kept that Horse by him, upon which I required of him to Deliver up the horse, but he informed me that when the Company took him in their Service their Agreement was not to discharge him before Six Months but that they failing in their agreement the french took an Opportunity to Rob his own horse, he has further inform'd me that as nobody has done him Justice in that Case, he did himself Justice by bringing away the said horse in room of his own in a publick manner Upon which as some of the Morattas horsemen are in my Service, I left this Affair to their Decision who have Decided that the said Seapoy should return the horse upon receiving One hundred Rupees, whereupon the Seapoy was ready to Deliver the Horse upon paying him the said Sum, your people knew this Affair perfectly well. But if I write for the Money & Detain'd the Horse here till you had sent it, it was only loosing so much time for nothing, I did therefore in regard to your friendship pay the said Sum to the Seapoy on your Own Account & sent the Horse to you by yr People & hope he is Safely brought to you, Pray Advise me with it. Continue to Write to me of your Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 123.

To Hossain Cawn Toyer from the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

10th July, 1748.

I have Recd your Letter and Understand the Contents. According to your desire I have Order'd Sugar &ca Goods to be Procur'd for Mahomed Ally Cawn his people; who are now return'd back from hence with the said Goods. I shall be very Glad to do you any good Offices in my power as I am desirous of the Continuance of the Friendship which Subsisted between us from a long time; I hope you'll at all times let me know if you want anything from me & advise me of your health.

What can I say more.

No. 124.

To Mahomed Cawn Gov[r] of Polore.

I have recd your Letter & am Glad to hear that Mootal have advis'd you of the Success we have had lately over the French at Cuddalore, I return you many thanks for your kind Wishes towards my Wellfare & Success in my Undertakings. According to your desire I have Ordered Mootal to Provide Sugar &ca Goods to your People, who now return'd back to you with the Goods they Wanted.

I am Sorry that you have now wrote me to Purchase You one Elephant & one horse for the Use of Subdar Ally Cawn's Son, for all the Elep[ts] we have had here were sold & sent into the Country, Nor there is (at present) any Horse worthy to him, or otherwise you may be Assur'd that I shall be very Glad to comply with your request, I desire you will always advise me of your health & Wellfare.

No. 125.

To Murtaz Ally Cawn the Nabob of Valoor.

July the 12th 1748.

I receiv'd your Letter & Observ'd the Contents thereof, I am Sorry to find that your People have impos'd on you several falsities concerning the Horse Mentioned in the Letter for the Seapoy who had carry'd away the horse was Actually the Rogue & we have never made with him such ;agreement as is mention'd in yr Letter so that there was not the least reason to referr this Affair to the Decision of Arbitrators, As this Affair was Wrongfully represented to you by your People I hope you'll Check 'em that they may not Venture to impose on you such falsities for the future. Now if the said Seapoy had any cause of Complaint, he may freely come to me and I will do him all the Justice he can desire, you know very well that the English are the people that hate injustice.

What can I say more.

No. 126.

From Meerza Ally Beag the Vakanagar Now residing at Metchelapatam to the Hon'ble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Received the 19th July, Anno 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint your honour that as I have the Enjoyment of Vakanagary and Becasky Gary from the Moguls Court in the Seacacol, Ingeram & Valoor Countries, I have been always Assisting in your Affairs at Vizagapatam belonging to the Seacacol Country, at Suncarpalem belonging to Ingeram Country and at Madapolem belonging to Valoor Country out of friendship to you, & I still continue to do so, I must inform you that at the time of the late Alla Cooley Cawn Mr. Prince being Chief at Ingeram I us'd my Endeavours and got him Suncarpalem agreeable to his request, upon which the Factory in that place is become Commodious, all which I hope Mr. Prince has Wrote to you.

Meer Mahomed Caleel Cawn, being the present Nabob, I on Account of the friendship I bear towards the European Nations, undertook the management of the Ingeram Country and assisted in your affairs at that Factory, looking upon them as my own.

Sometime ago I sent two Garabs loaded with Grain procured in Chillapelly &ca places to your Port, & hope that Mr. Thomas Saunders the Chief at Sancarpalem has wrote to you of it, But now my Gomastas on board of the said Garabs, have wrote to me that one of the said Garabs arriv'd at your Port & the other at Caravady & that you demand of them to Sell the Grain landed at Fort St. David to you; If you Stand in Need of that Grain please to buy it, if not, I hope you will be so kind to get it sold for me, by means of Meer Mahomed Sayed & Narain my people for a Better

price & that you'll not insist upon Customs; I hope also that you'll be so kind as to draw a Bill of Exchange for the produce on yr Factory at Suncarpalem that I may Receive it there, if not get a Bill of Exchange for it from the Gomastas of Nana Dava & Purshetama Doss whom I suppose are at your place that it may be payable to me at Matchelapatam; If you do me this piece of Service your honour may depend upon it that by the Blessing of God I will more & more Assist in your Affairs in these parts, you may be Assur'd of my friendship to you & if you have any business to transact here, write to me freely that I may Dispatch it.

What can I say more.

N.B.—The Word Vakanagary in the Original signifies the Employment of Writing News & the Word Bacashy Gary the Paymaster's Employment.

No. 127.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN AT ARCOTT TO THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 20TH JULY 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that I have a Canon here that has been Nail'd up in the touch hole, I must therefore desire you to send me a Workman with a little Aqua Fortis and other proper Necessaries for to bore it out, and the man shall return to you as soon as the work is done.

What can I say more.

No. 128.

TO NABOB ANEVERDEE CAWN.

DATED THE 25TH JULY 1748.

I have received Your Excellency's Letter desiring me to send You a Person to Clear the touch hole of a Canon that has been nail'd up I now send your Excellency such a Person who Carrys with him Materials for that purpose, and beg your Excellency will return him here again as soon as he has done his Business. I wish your Excellency health & Long Life. What can I say more.

No. 129.

FROM SAMPETROY THE DIVAN AT ARCOTT TO THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 24TH JULY ANNO 1748.

This is On purpose to acquaint You that Joyanta Ramiah Gomastah to Beeja Ramah Raja has wrote to me that a Ship belong to the said Raja was coming to your Port loaden with Grain but that some of the Commodore's People having Seiz'd her in the Way sold the Cargo & kept the produce in their hands which they refuse to pay to Joyanta Ramiah; As there is a perfect Unity between me & the said Raja, I look upon his Affairs as my Own, I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to you hoping that you'll get the produce from the Commodore & pay it to Joyanta Ramiah; I hope also that you'll Continue to Assist Joyanta Ramiah in all his Affairs.

What can I say more.

No. 130.

TO SAMPETROY DIVAN AT ARCOTT.

DATED THE 25TH JULY 1748.

I have recd your Letter and Observe what Jointa Ramana has wrote you Concerning the Paddy Vessell, for my part I have nothing to do with it, The same being taken by One of his Majesty's Ships, & no doubt they had good reason for so

doing, it is Our Custom when Europeans are at Warr one with another to prevent all manner of Provisions going into the Enemys Port, & there [*sic* they?] that are Superiour by Sea will always do so. This Jointa Ramana has been told several times that if he Attempted to go into any of the Enemys Ports the Vessells and Grain would be Seiz'd. Several Boats have been deliver'd to him, upon promise that he would not go to the Enemy, but he regards not his word and therefore justly Suffers for it. I can be of no service in this Affair it is not the Company's business but the Kings. What can I say more.

No. 131.

To Meerza Hassen Ally Beag at Matchelapatam.

29th July 1748.

I have rec^d^ your Letter and Observd the Contents thereof, it is true that one of your Grain Vessells arriv'd in our Road and landed her Cargo, part of which I have Bought for the Company & paid the price to Narain your Gomastah, wch I hope he has Wrote to you; Now on Receipt of y^r^ Letter I have sent for the said Gomastah and asked him concerning the Money paid him as above, he said that he drew a Bill of Exchange for it on the Gomastas of Nana Dava at Metchelapatam & sent you sometime ago, & for the remaining part of the Cargo he said that he had sold it except a Small Quantity and added that he would sell it in a few days & then will go to you. You may Depend upon it that I will Assist in your Affairs in these parts, & hope that you'll continue your kind Assistance in Our Affairs to the Northward.

What can I say more.

No. 132.

To Sampetroy the Divan.

July the 30th 1748.

I have been inform'd that Vancatar the Company's Conicoply at Madrass upon the loss of that Town went to Tinnaloor under the Government of Tervalore Country & has taken his Residence in that place but that the Phousdar of Tervaloor having Notice that the said Conicoply was in good Circumstances, sent his people and Plunder'd of all that he had & he not being content with this, he carry'd the Conicoply a Prisoner to Tervaloor and there he kept him in Irons and put him to torture, Demanding a Certain Sum of Money to be given him, I have been inform'd also that the Phousdar has kill'd One of the Conicoply's Brother. I am sorry that you Should Suffer such Cruelty to be Committed in the Moguls Country especially upon those that went for Shelter from Madrass. I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to You hoping that you'll immediately order the Phousdar to release the said Conicoply and restore whatever he has taken from him, I have wrote a Letter to the Nabob upon the same business. Our ships of War from Europe are safe Arriv'd with a great Number of Forces on board which are now Landing and in a very Short time hope to punish the french for their Evil Actions.

What can I say more.

No. 133.

From the Hon'ble Charles Floyer Esqr. To Mahomed Ally Cawn Moortezally Cawn, Meerassedulla Cawn, Cairadee Cawn, Abdull Jaleel Cawn, Shaick Mahomed Homed, Pratap Shing Ranza, Trimel row, Bangar Naique, Damerla Vancatepa Naique, & Worriar,

July the 31st 1748.

This is to Acquaint you, that some time ago I rec^d^ Several Phirmaunds for you from Nabob Nausir Jung & some from Aneverdeen Cawn, in Order to give Us your utmost aid, & join us in taking Pondicherry & Madrass, & Stop all manner of Provisions going into Pondicherry from your Country.

I defer sending the said Phirmaunds to you for some time, till the Arrival of our Great Reinforcement from England, which thanks be to God is now Arriv'd safe at Fort St. David, under the Command of Admiral Boscawn a Brave & experienc'd Officer, & we shall set out to Attack the French & give them a due Chestizement to their Treacherouse & Barbarous Behaviours both to the English & to the Country Government. this we shall be able to perform in a few days, & desire you'll Supply our Camp with all manner of Refreshments of Provisions & a great Number of Cooleys. I now send you the Phirmaunds above said, & hope you'll act according to his highnesses Orders, to the Good of your Country & to the Interest of Us, & in Your Complyance thereof our Friendship will increase.

No. 134.

To Nabob Aneverdean Cawn from the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
July 31st 1748.

I have received your Excellency's Letter & Understand the Contents; I take the liberty to inform you that our Great Reinforcement Arriv'd at Fort St. David from England with Admiral Boscawen a brave & Experienc'd Officer & I hope by the help of the Divine Providence & by your indulgence we Shall prepair in a few days to attack & give a due Chestizement to the Common Enemy of all mankind the French, to the Peace and Commerce of Your Country I desire Your Excellency will give Orders to all the Govrs under You particularly to those that are in our Neighbouring Country to Supply Our Camp with all manners of Refreshments of Provisions & a great Number of Cooleys, & I further desire You'll send me the several Phirmaunds desir'd in my Last Letter to yr Kellydars & Pollygars to do the same.

No. 135.

To Sumpetroy Divan.

The same as was wrote to the Nabob.

No. 136.

From Nabob Aneverdean Cawn to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.
Recd the 31st July, 1748.

I have received Your Letter with the Presents you was pleas'd to send me, I am extreamly Glad of your Friendship & esteem towards me. You may be Assur'd of my Good will in all your Affairs, I will send you the Several Phirmaunds desir'd in Your Letter; According to yr desire I have granted a Dustock or Pass to the Presents you sent to his highness Nausir Jung.

Pray Advise me Always of yr Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 137.

From Sumpetroy Divan.

I have receiv'd your kind Letter & Understand the Contents, Agreeable to your desire I have Order'd the Nabobs Secretary to make ready Several Phirmaunds according to the List you sent enclos'd, & I will dispatch them as soon as you shall advise me of the Arrival of your Reinforcement expected from England.

I Accepted of the Presents you sent me & has given a Dustock or Pass Seal'd wth the Nabobs Seal to your Vakeel for the Conveyance of the presents you sent to Avezangabaud.

I desire you'll please to Continue to Advise me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 138.

FROM HOSSAIN CAWN TOYER.

I have receiv'd Your Letter & Observe you mention'd therein that you was made sensible of the Friendship I bear towards you by Mootal, & Assur'd me of your Sincere Friendship & regard, & in the meantime acquainted me $^{t}_{y}$ you are Waiting for the Arrival of a Reinforcem[t] from England to proceed against the French.

I must acquaint You that there is a Strict Friendship Subsisting between the English & me from a long time, Nothing has been Wanting on my Side, nor I shall fail to Serve 'em in anything lyes in my power for the future.

I accepted of the Presents you was pleas'd to Send me as a token of your friendship, I hope you 'll not think any difference between us but pray Continue Your Friendship & Advise me of Your health & Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 139.

TO MAHOMED CAWN GOV[R]. OF CHELLUMBRUM FROM THE GOV[R].

I receiv'd a Letter with a Perwanah to you from Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn your Master who Order'd you to give me your Utmost Aid against the French, I defer sending the said Perwanah to you till the Arrival of our great Reinforcement from England, they are now Arriv'd at Fort St. David, we shall set out in a few days to Attack the French & give them a due Chestizm[t]. for their Treacherous Behaviours, I now sent inclos'd the Nabob's Perwanah & hope you 'll comply with it, both in Obedience to your Master the Nabob & in regard to the Friendship Subsisting between Us, I desire you'll Supply our Camp with all manner of Refreshments of Provisions & a great Number of Cooleys. I have no more to Acquaint you at present.

No. 140.

ADVICE FROM THE SPY AT ARCOTT.

Joynadally Cawn was sent to Vellore by Nabob Aneverdean Cawn to reconcile Moortezally Cawn, who Accordingly has been up to him & ask'd him the Reason of his Admitting a great Number of Horse & footmen into his Service & told him that the Nabob was inform'd of his resolutions was to proceed againt Arcott, To which Moortezally Cawn return'd an Answer that his preparations was only for the defence of his own place, As there is a quarel between him & his Brother Rajally Cawn, & assur'd Joynadally Cawn that it was to no other intent but what he said before. Joynadally Cawn told him that if he Should Admitt more horse & foot than his business require it would be a great ill Consequence to him, and so Reconcild him & bro[t] Shreeneivas Row with him to Arcott promising & [*sic?* to] return him whatever the Nabob has taken out of his House at Arcott by his not Obeying the Nabob's Commands; Agreeable to the Orders of Nabob Keiradee Cawn encamp'd to the Westward of the hills of Vantavellum & Najeebula Cawn encamp'd to the Eastward. The Nabob designs to go to Chingee & is now gone to Mahomed Petta, but the Pollygar of Vantavellum does not quitt his Attempts, and is plundering the Country. MahomedAlly Cawn is come to Trichenopolly from Maudre, The Pollygars of that place are Pillaging the Country thereabouts.

No. 141.

FROM THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R]., TO ABDULLHEMED CAWN NABOB OF SEDOTTUM.

AUG[ST] 24TH 1748.

I have received the honour of yr Excellency's Letter & Understand the Contents, I return you may thanks for your kind expressions of Friendship, which you may be Assur'd I will take care to Cultivate & improve it, I receivd the Bowle of Allablaster you sent by Mootal.

Your Man is now returned back to you with what Goods he wanted.

I accepted the Presents you was pleas'd to send me, for Which I return you thanks.

I desire Your Excellency will please to Continue our favour & Friendship & advise me of your Wellfare.

No. 142.

FROM SHAICK HOMED SPY AT GINGEE.

RECD THE 24TH SEPT 1748.

Nabob Aneverdean Cawn designs to Appoint his Brother Muneverdy Cawn to the Government of Chingee, Conjeverum, Trivalore, Chittore &ca Country in a few days, A few days ago the Nabob had sent Orders to the Havildar of Trivadee, Porto Novo, Trivenduram Chingee, &ca Country to Supply your Honour with Paddy &ca, Provisions for the Camp, & he has now also sent a Dustock to the said Havilars with a Perwana about the Same.

The Nabob & his Officers with 1,000 Horse are at Chingee, he is Actually Resolved to take the Hills of Vantavelum & Punish the Pollygar of the said place, It is reported here that Bangaryatchem Naigue is coming to Assist the Nabob with some force.

The Mogul has Appointed Munssorally Cawn to the Station of his Chief Minister, & he has also Alter'd Several Visiers of their Stations, who thereupon are some what displeas'd with his Majesty ; Nabob Nausir Jung designs to go to Averanabaud to pass the Monsoon.

Urcar's Brot. News to the Nabob that the English have taken possession of Ariacopung & will also Conquer Pondicherry in a day or two, Upon hearing of the said News the Nabob Sumpet Roy, and Hossain Soib express'd a great Joy, & said that they hope the English may take Pondicherry soon.

No. 143.

FROM SHAICK BEHEMULLA THE PHOUSDAR OF TERVENDUPURAM TO THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 31ST JULY 1748.

It was inexpressible Joy and Satisfaction to me and all others to hear the Good News of the safe Arrival of your Ships of War from England in Order to undertake their Expedition against the French, I think that this Nation will be Subdued by you in a Short time, I hereby Congratulate you & all other friends for it. The Victory may attend you thro' Jesus Christ. What can I say more.

No. 144.

ANSWER TO THE ABOVE.

DATED THE 2D AUGST 1748.

I have Recd Your kind Letter & am much Oblig'd to you for your Compliment upon the Arrival of Own ships & forces from England. Our Men Thank God are all Arrivd in good health and will Speedily set out to punish the French, who have so Often insulted us, but in a Short time it will not be in their power to do the like. As we have abundance of Warlike Stores to Carry I beg you would send us with the Utmost dispatch all the Oxen you can procure, either to buy or to Borrow & if any Accident happens to them to be paid for & I must further desire a great Number of Cooleys able Body'd Men to be sent us & they shall all be Well paid for their Trouble. As you are a Friend to Us, I beg you'll loose no time in this Affair as Our forces march in a Day or two, I wish you health. What can I say more.

No. 145.

FROM CAWZEE DOYEM CHIEF MINISTER OF NAUSIR JUNG AT AVERANGABAUD TO MOOTAL.

DATED THE 20TH MAY & RECD 2D AUGST 1748.

I am in perfect health and hope you enjoy the same.

I hope you have Recd the Letter I sent you sometime ago.

I believe you have hear'd by the Shroffs of Averangabaud the News of the Death of Mahomed Shaw the Mogul, as also the Murder of Abdally Pattan in the late Battle, the Accession of Prince Ahemed Shaw to the Crowne & afterwards the Death of Nizamal Mullock, & Succeed of Nausir Jung to his Chair, & also the Confirmation of it by his present Majesty's Royal Phirmaund &ca.

You know very well the Strict Order of his highness Nausir Jung about the Tent, which I hope you'll acquaint the Govr & get it made soon & send it up to his highness as soon as Possible, & in the meantime send a Letter of a good Joy to his highnesses accession to the Chair of Viceroy, with some Presents. All the rest you'll Understand by the Letter of Naugana Shroff.

I desire you'll let me know if you want anything this way as it is a very good time now with me that I shall Settle everything according to yr desire.

What can I say more.

No. 146.

TO NABOB ANEVERDEE CAWN.

DATED 3D AUGST 1748.

With this Your Excellency will receive a Letter from the General of his Majestys Forces lately Arriv'd from England, he has brought a great Number of Ships with him & abundance of Soldiers all in good health, with whom by the help of God, he designs to punish the Common Enemy both to your Excellency & to Us. The General has Wrote your Excellency to desire you'll send an Order to all the Chiefs of the Provinces under You to Supply his Camp with Provisions & as it will consist of a great Number of people, they will require a large quantity for their Daily Sustenance. I hope Shortly to send your Excellency an Acct of our Victory & I wish you health & Success against Your Enemy's. What can I say more.

No. 147.

TO HODJEE HODDY AT ARCOTT.

DATED 3D AUGST 1748.

I have Recd Several Letters from you, and now I have the Satisfaction to write you that our Ships from Europe Arriv'd here Eight day's ago Under the Command of a very brave and Volliant Man, Called General Boscawen Who Commands both by Land & Sea, he has brought a great Number of Men with him who are Arriv'd in good health, and are now ashore in the Camp they design to March against Pondicherry in two or three days. And as Everything has been for sometime preparing for this Expedition, We hope by Gods help, soon to Conquer Our Enemy's and not to make such Shamefull retreats as they have done from this place & you'll remember this is the first time of Our Setting Out. You have Often Wrote me about setting out before, but we waited for the coming of these Forces. The General has Wrote a Letter to the Nabob on this Occasion to desire he will give his orders to the Officers of the Different provinces to Supply his Army with provisions & everything Else necessary. I had done the same I give you this Advice of it that you may forward this Affair. I am very Busy & can say no more at present.

No. 148.

FROM MUDAMIAH THE PHOUSDAR OF CHELEMBARAM.

RECD 3D AUGUST 1748.

It was inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction for me to hear that a General is Arriv'd from England with 25 Ships of Warr, as their is a perfect Unity between us I wish you Joy on this Occasion.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that Two of the Villages under my Governmt which are call'd Keal Alenjapet and Malenjapet lie in your way to Pondicherry, I hope therefore that you'll give strict Orders to your People not to do Mischief to the said Villages nor to molest the Inhabitants thereof at the time of their passing and repassing thro' those Villages. As for other Matters I refer you to my Letters to Muttall and Rangapah. What can I say more.

No. 149.

ANSWER TO THE ABOVE-THE SAME DATE.

I have rec'd yr kind Letter and am much Oblig'd to you for your Compliments upon the Arrival of our Ships & a General from England. Concerning the Villages which you mention I will take care to give Orders to my People not to do mischief to 'em, but for all that I must advise you to Order the Inhabitants thereof to remove their Effects from thence for their better Security. What can I say more.

No. 150.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF CHELUMBARAM.

REC'D 5TH AUGST 1748. PER MUTTALL NAICK.

I have rec'd your Letter together with my Master the Nabob's Perwanah. You was pleas'd to write to me that Several of the Ships of Warr came from England, indeed this was very Joyfull News to me; before I receiv'd your letter I having heard this News, took the liberty to write to you a Letter of Congratulation which I hope is come safe to your hands. You acquainted me in the Letter that Admiral Boscawen has brought with him a large force and that you wanted Provisions for them. I must tell you that there has been lasting friendship between the honble the English Company and my predecessors, the truth of which I refer you to a Verbal account of their Servants. Sometime ago a Certain Braminy came from your place to me about a Force, which I have procur'd and sent to your place. When the Company had some Affairs at Devy Coata I Undertook and finish'd them, I always gave my assistance in the Company's Affairs in whatever they have desir'd and Dispatch'd them, Especially I have Dispatched their Affairs regarding Devajees Bill of Exchange. But at present if you have any business to Transact here write to me freely that I may Dispatch it. Muttall has wrote me about the Paddy and I have sent my Answer to him and hope he will inform you of it by word of mouth. I think it necessary to inform you that Two of the Circar's Villages called Keal Alenjepat and Malanjapat lie in your way to Pondicherry and as it is the proper Season to Plant the Corn I hope you will give Strict Orders to your People not to do Mischief to the Villages nor to molest the Inhabitants thereof; If any Rarities are come from Europe I desire you'll order your People to buy them for my Master the Nabob, I will send the price to you and then receive the Goods. As there is a perfect Unity between us Continue Your Correspondence with me.

What can I say more.

No. 151.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN THE NABOB'S ELDEST SON TO THE GOVR.

RECD THE 6TH AUGST 1748.

I have Occasion for some Medicines, on Which account I now send you Mr. Gordon the Physician and hope you'll procure the best kind of Whatever

Medicines he shall Chuse out of the Hospital at your place and write to me the price thereof, and the same shall be sent to you; As for some other Matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of the said Physician.

What can I say more.

No. 152.

From Shaick Kitsezulla a Steward to Mahaphooz Cawn.

Recd the 6th Augst 1748.

I take the liberty to acquaint you that Mr. Gordon the Physician having apply'd to me has communicated some certain matters to me which I have fully represented to Nabob Mahaphooz Cawn, and introduced the said Physician to him and hope he will give you a full account of that matter by word of Mouth. I must inform you that if I undertake the management of your Affairs in these parts you may depend upon it, that they shall be justly transacted and by the Blessing of God everything will turn out according to your wish. Please to hear what the said Physician shall say to you and then write to me what is to be done here for you in future that I may endeavour to Dispatch it; Don't put yourself under any Suspician, As there is a perfect Unity between us; God Grant that our friendship may increase.

What can I say more.

No. 153.

To Mahafas Cawn.

Dated the 7th Augst 1748.

By the Physican You mention I have received Your Excellency's Letter and am to assure You I am ready to Assist him with Medicines, &ca if to be had in this place.

It is with pleasure that I now inform Your Excellency Our Ships from Europe and safe Arrived and have brought with 'em a great Number of Soldiers and all sorts of Warlike Stores, his Majesty of England has sent out a General to Command Them, a Brave and Valiant Soldier. The horses are all landed in good Health and will in two or three days march forward towards Pondicherry and I hope we Shall soon be able to revenge Ourselves of the Common Enemy.

The General and myself have had soon discourse with the Person Your Excellency sent hither and as you have been pleas'd to Offer Your Assistance in Surrounding Pondicherry, although we have a Sufficient Force of our own to take that place, yet I cannot refuse the Offer yr Excellencys is pleased to make, I will not desire your Excellency to come in person, but desire you will please to send One thousand Choice horsemen Under the Command of one of your brave Generals and I must desire your Excellency will send 'em hither with all Expedition As Our forces will march in two day's. Your Excellency will please to give Your General Order's to march directly for Pondicherry and he will find Our forces before that place.

I must further trouble Your Excellency to desire you'll please to send your Orders to the headMen of all the places between this and Pondicherry to Supply Our Camp with all manner of Provisions. Our General will be Carefull that none of the Country people are Abus'd, but will see them duely paid for Whatever provisions &ca., that are brought to the Camp. Strong liquors excepted which will not be permitted to come near it. I wish Your Excellency health and long life.

What can I saymore.

No. 154.

To Shaick Hiffezulla.

Dated the 7th Augst 1748.

I have rec'd your Letter and Observe the Contents. The Physician has acquainted me with the Business he came about and I have wrote to his Excellency Nabob Mehafas Cawn to Send One thousand horse to Surround Pondicherry but this must be done with the Utmost Expedition as Our Forces march forward in two Days, and if your Horse do not make quick dispatch, Pondicherry may be taken before they Arrive.

I have Wrote everything that is Necessary to his Excellency, I need not repeat the same to you as I must suppose you'll be Consulted on the Occasion.

As there is a perfect Friendship between us I doubt not but you'll make all imaginable dispatch in this Business. I wish you health. What can I say more.

No. 155.

From Mahomedally Cawn the Govr of Polore and Brother to Chenda Saib to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Rec'd the 7th Augst 1748. Per Muttal.

I was extreamly glad to receive your Letter together with a parcell of Sugar and Sugar Candy which I had sent for, I must acknowledge that the said Goods were bought by your Servants for me at the Cheapest Rate, God may grant you happiness, as I shall be Sensible of your good Officies to me I hope you'll Continue to write to me of your Wellfare; I have been inform'd that your Ships of War are Arriv'd from England and that you intend to Undertake an Expedition against Pondicherry, I wish that God may grant you Victory in your Undertakings. I think it Necessary to inform you that Nabob Dostilly Cawn's, Chenda Saibs and Zayanel Abadeen's their Families live in Pondicherry at present and as these are of Noble Mens Families; it is requisite that you Should take care of them, Especially at this time of War, I do therefore embrace this Opportunity of writing to you hoping that you'll on Account of the friendship that Subsists between you, myself and Chenda Saib order your Servants at the time of the Seize to take Special Care of the Said Families, as each others Reputations are the same in Reality I don't doubt you'll Oblige me in this Respect. If Chenda Sahib hears of your Civility in this Matter he will be exceeding Glad, he is Expected to this province in a short time with Glory and power he having already Obtain'd his leave from Sava Raja and set out with a large Force and march'd four Stages, By the blessing of God you'll see him in a few days in this province.

What can I say more.

No. 156.

To Takee Sahib the Govr. of Wandashy Fort.

Augst the 7th, 1748.

I have the pleasure to Acquaint you that our Forces will march in a Day or Two against Pondicherry in order to punish the Common Enemy the French and as there is a great Number of Men it requires a large quantity of Provisions of all sorts for their Daily Sustainance especially Rice, Doll, and Ghee, I hope therefore that you'll be so kind as to buy these for me as much as you can get and send them hither, if not, persuade the Merchants in your Limits to Carry the Rice &ca to our camp & Sell it at their own price, here care shall be taken that none shall hurt them or do them any injury, As this is proper time for you to do the best acts of Friendship for me I hope you'll Oblige me in this particular. The same to Meera Saut & Abdull Hassen Cawn the Govr of Perembukal.

No. 157.

To Mahomed Ally Cawn Gov^R of Polore

Dated the 8th Aug^st 1748.

I have Rec'd your Letter & am very Glad to hear You lik'd the parcel of Sugar and Sugar Candy which Your people purchase'd at this Place.

You are rightly inform'd that Our Ships of War are Arriv'd here from England & have brought with them a great many Soldiers and all manner of Warlike Stores and if it please God they design to march forward tomorrow. I am very Glad you have Inform'd me that they are Several Noblemens Families in Pondicherry I hope the French will send them out & not keep them in to be Sacrificed by Our Cannon and Mortars, as it will be impossible to know Friends from Enemy's in time of Action What Should they be within when our Forces Attack that place I will desire the General to let them come out and pass unmolested. You may depend upon a particular case being taken of the above noble Families. As there is a Strict Friendship Subsisting between Us.

What can I say more.

P.S.—I am such in want of Rice, Doll, & Ghee, I desire you will Order Your Inhabitants to bring a Quantity of all Sorts to Us, and they shall be well paid for whatever they bring.

No. 158.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn to the Gov^R.

Recd the 10th Aug^st 1748.

I receiv'd your Letter together wth that of General Boscawen and I must tell you y^t it was no Small Joy to me to hear the good new's of the Generals Arrival at your place. I hope he will punish the Enemy according as he has wrote to me; As I reserve a very great Regard to you from a long time I now send you some Letters to the several Governour's in the Country requiring them to Supply you with Provisions. Continue to write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 159.

From Nabob Abdull Homed Cawn Nabob of Seddotum to the Gov.

Rec'd the 10th Aug. 1748.

I have had not the pleasure of receiving a Letter from You from a long time, concerning the Transactions of your place & your Wellfare, which is not fair to the Friendship subsisted between us from Antient times. Formerly Govr Hattsell & Mr. Barlow kept up a Strict friendship & Correspondency with my Father Nabob Abdull Nabee Cawn Deceas'd, and you have likewise a right to improve and Cultivate it. Therefore I hope you'll always let me know particulary the Transactions of your place and of your Wellfare, which it would be a particular pleasure to me to hear.

Sometime ago I sent you a Bowl of Alla Blaster by Mootal, which I hope you have rec'd, but you sent me no answer to it. I do now send you a present of One p^s of Mahomoody and One p^s of Guzoy as a token of my Friendship wch I desire your kind acceptance of.

I am in want of some Goods for the Use of Ramzan feast, I have sent a List of it to Mootal, by one of my Servants Named Mudoo, with fifty Rup^s for the purchase of it, I sent this little Sum not knowing whether any Goods can be had now in your place or not, in this time of War, I hope you'll please to Order exceeding Good sort of Goods to be procured and send it up to me with all speed, as the festival day's approaching near.

I hope the Divine Providence will in a few days give a due Chestizement to the French to their perfidy.

I desire You'll continue to Advise me of your health and Wellfare, as I wish you Success in all your Undertakings.

What can I say more.

No. 160.

From Abdull Hassen Cawn the Gov. of Perembocal Fort to the Hon'ble Charles Floyer Esq[r].

Rec'd the 11th Aug[st] 1748.

I was extreamly glad to receive your friendly Letter desiring me to Order the Grain Merchants in my Limits freely to carry provisions to your Camp. As there is a friendship of a long Standing between Us You'll find me ready to forward your Affairs, you may be Assur'd of my perfect Unity and friendship to You.

I take the Liberty to inform you that the Nabob is now at Gengey with his Whole Army and he has sent his Orders to me as well as to others in the province to forward to his Camp Supplies of provisions which are Continually carry'd thither, however in regard to your friendship I have given my Strict Orders to the Merchants in my Limits to Continue to carry part of Grain &ca which they carry to his Excellency's Camp to that of yours and I hope they will obey my Orders. Continue to Write to me of your health and Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 161.

From Shaick Beheamulla the Phousdar of Tervendapuram to the Hon'ble Charles Floyer Esq[r].

Rec'd the 13th Aug[st] 1748.

I was extreamly glad to receive your Letter together with that of the Nebobs in my Name. Agreeable to your desire I have sent you Yesterday 40 Cooleys and 200 Oxen, and will send this day 100, Cooleys or as much as I can get before the Sun Sett; I take the liberty to inform you that one of Mr. Gordon the Physician a Servant to Nabob Mahaphooz Cawn came to Your place in Order to buy some Medicines and other Goods According to a List in his hands, and he has brought a Bill upon me for One thousand Rupees, in part of Which I have paid him Yesterday P. 185 he has been with me and stay'd here Two Nights and then took his leave to go to Cuddalore, But I am now inform'd that the people at Cuddalore Gate having Stopt him made him a Prisoner, As he is a stranger to your place and was sent by a Great Man. I hope you'll be so kind as to Release him. A Victory may attend you thro' Jesus Christ. What can I say more.

No. 162.

From Meer Hussan Cawn the Gov. of Valdaver Fort and Brother to Meerasaut to the hon'ble Charles Floyer Esq[r].

Rec'd 14th Aug[st] 1748.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to mention that the Company's People at your place buy Grain &ca Provisions in the Circar's Country and that I should order the Juncan people belonging to Valdaver to let them pass free, As our friendship is of a long Standing I look upon Your Affairs as my Own, I did therefore before I receiv'd your Letter order the Juncan people not to hinder the prisoners &ca that shall be Carry'd to your place under any pretence whatsoever, and on Receipt of your Letter I have again given my orders about the

same business and more Especially in Valdaver which is the Principal place of my Government freely to permit those that Shall come from Fort St. David or from your Camp to Buy what they want. Besides a Certain Sett of Merchants carry Provisions thro' Tervacara the Circar's Village to Sell 'em in Different parts, I have now given my strict Orders to them either to carry it to Fort St. David or to the Camp and no where else; I hope they will Obey my Orders. It was a Great pleasure to me to hear that your forces were out against the Enemy, God Grant that You may Obtain your desire and the Enemys may meet with their deserts. I hope you'll send me an Account of your Victory and Continue to Write me of your health and wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 163.

To Subderelly's Mother.

The 14th Augst 1748.

I have receiv'd your Letter and Observ'd the Contents. A few days past I receiv'd a Letter from Mahomed Ally Cawn the Governour of Pelore about your Affairs and sent my Ansr to him, to Which I hope will give you an Acct of the Matters. What can I say more.

The same to Ally Raza Cawn Son to Chenda Saib.

No. 164.

From Meera Saut the Gov. of Chetpet Fort to the honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 16th Augst 1748.

I was extreamly glad to reveive your Letter wherein you was pleas'd to mention that your Forces will march out against Pondicherry in a Short time and that I should either buy the provision of Grain to be forward'd to you or to persuade the Merchants in my Limits to Carry it to your Camp to be sold there. I must inform you that I have given my Strict orders to the Merchants freely to carry the provisions to the Camp. As there is perfect Unity between us, I won't be backward in giving Strict orders to my people to Assist you. Continue to write to me of your health and Wellfare which would be a great pleasure to me. What can I say more.

No. 165.

To the Phousdar of Porto Novo

Dated the 18th Augst 1748.

I am very Sorry to hear You give Mr. Cope so much trouble in Shipping off any goods that I sent for from your Place instead of assisting him and that you want him to pay an unusual Custom, but I must suppose it is done without yr knowledge and therefore give you this Advice of it that you may prevent it in future, if so, I shall not take any further Notice of it besides I must further tell you that the Arrack that came from your place is for the King's Use and he never pays Custom, if I should acquaint the General of what you had done, he would take it extreamly ill and would demand Satisfaction for so high an Affront. I beg you'll give no further trouble, but rather Assist us, as all others of your Country do in our Expedition against the French. What can I say more.

No. 166.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN

TO THE GOV^R 18TH AUG^ST 1748.

I have been informed that your Forces are out against Pondicherry and as Vellanelloor &ca the Circar's Villages are Neighbours to it I hope you'll give Strict orders to your People not to do any injury to the Inhabitants thereof but be Assisting to 'em in all their concerns. What can I say more.

No. 167.

FROM SHAICK BEHEAMULLA THE PHOUSDAR OF TERVENDUPORAM.

RECD THE 21ST AUGUST ANNO, 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to Receive your kind Letter wherein you desir'd me to forward the provision of Rice to your Camp but I must tell you that it is not procurable in my Limits for even the Nabob's Peons that are with me at present and others are in very much want of the Same for their Victuals. It has been usual for my Peons to fetch Rice from Cuddalore but they cannot get it now in the said place. I had some Garse of Paddy out of the present year's produce, but part of which was given to the Plowmen in full Delivery of their Share of the last Year & the other part was Sold and the money sent to the Nabob. There are 2 or 3 Banyans in each of my Villages but they have no Rice at all to be Sold. If I had it in my Limits truely I would have comply'd with your request. Success may Attend you thro' Jesus Christ. What can I say more.

No. 168.

TO MAHOMED ALLY CAWN THE GOV. OF PELORE.

AUG^ST 21st, 1748.

I have been inform'd that Chenda Saib's Son in Pondicherry has joind the French against us and is very busy therein, I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to you y^t if he is found acting against us in any Respect our General will not give protection either to him or to his People but will deem him as his Excellency.

No. 169.

FROM SUNCA RAMAH AT PULLICATT TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R.

RECD. THE 22ND AUGST. ANNO, 1748.

I beg leave to Acquaint your honour that by the misfortune which attended Madrass I was oblig'd to go with my Family to St. Thome, where I stay'd sometime but the French hav^e plundered that place, the loss I Sustain'd was very great, I removed afterwards to Garacambaca &ca the Circar's Villages where finding no safety by reason of the Disturbance raised by the Enemy, I retired to Gommady Pundy where my Constant business was to wish that Madrass may soon fall into the hands of the English and that I may have the happiness to take my Residence at that place. When the French knew that I was in Gommady Pundy, they sent their Vakeel 2 or 3 times with a Cowl to me, Ball Chitty and Tomby Chitty desiring us to go and Inhabit in the said Town of Madrass in Subjection to them, but we refused to comply with their desire, at length I left Gommardy Pundy and went to Pullicat which is now One Year, during which time my business was to send for the Weaver's from the Country who Stood indebted to the Company at Madrass and to persuade them to get the Goods ready as I did not comply with the Enemy's Desire as above, they were incens'd against me and order'd 3 or 4 of my houses at Madrass worth about three thousand Pagodas to be pulled down & besides they have kept Watch

over my Dwelling house in the same place and carry'd away all the Goods and household furniture that were therein, as I have 50 houses, and 15 Gardens that are Still Safe in the said Town I am doubtfull whether they will do any injury to them. My Family have been Always Merchants for the English even from the time of my Grand Father & we were always happy under their protection but never Underwent the Misery and troubles as I am in at present. I have wrote to you Two or three Letters lately with a Design to wait upon your honour and told Mr. Beard of it, but you was pleas'd to write me in Answer that I should Stay in this Place and mind the Company's business, upon which I employ'd myself both in Settling the Accounts of my Dealings in this place as also minding the Company's business hoping to come to your place shortly but in the interem Conarapah the Warehouse Conicoply has wrote Letters to me, Ambeltady my partner, Tellisinga Chitty Grandavady Vencata Ramah, Nella Chitty &ca, the Company's Merchts for to come to For St. David & bring their Acc^ts^ with them & sent the Company's Peons likewise, saying that he was ordered by your honour &ca so to do, & as Ambeltady Chitty my partner lived then in Chengalpet, I have wrote a Letter to him & desired him to bring all the Companys Accts to me as soon as possible but he Answer'd that he was indisposed & that he had some business besides, so that he could not come to me then, but would wait upon me in a short time, On his arrival, my true intentions were for to come to your place and Acquainted Mr. Beard with it, Notwithstanding Mr. Beard insisted upon me to go and said that he had no business with Ambeltady my partner nor with the Accounts and he has now kept Two Peons and a Dubash to Watch at my house and Disgraced me very much, I cannot tell Whether this is put into his head by some of my Debters in this place who wish my removal, or, whether he has done it with his Own Accord, as your honour is my Commanding Master I am only to obey your Orders, so that I suppose Mr. Board has no business to give me such ill Usage as he did & publish my going to your place, this may Alarm the French who may in all probability intercept me on my way to your place and Seize upon me, As Your Honour is Ingenious and indulgent to those that are Dependant on you, I thought proper to Represent this Affair to you hoping that you'll on receipt of this Letter be as good as to Write to Mr. Beard to have nothing to do with me & to cease troubling me any further about by coming to your place & you'll be also so good as to take Notice of the ill Usage he has given me by keeping the Peons Over me. I will send for Ambalatady my partner & the Accounts and will settle Accounts with those that are indebted to the Company and will then wait upon your honour, all which Shall be done in a Short time,; I beg leave to repeat it to your honour that Mr. Beard has used me very Ill in Sight of the People here Contrary to your Orders, as he has no business so to do, I hope your honour Will Write to him to have nothing to do with me, as your honour is Ingenious I did not think it Necessary to Write to you more than what I have Already done.

No. 170.

To Mahaphooz Cawn.

The 23rd Aug^st^ 1748.

I had the honour to receive your Letter wherein you desired me to Order my People not to do any Injury to the Inhabitants of Vellaneloor &ca the Circar's Villages Neighbouring to the French Town, Agreeable to your desire I have Order'd my People not to do any prejudice to them and I hope they Will Obey my Orders. What can I say more.

No. 171.

From the Phousdar of Porto Novo to the Govr.

Rec^d^ the 23^d^ Aug^st^ 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to receive yr Letter and agreeable to your desire I have sent my Strict Order's to the People at the Juncan houses belonging to Porto Novo and Bonagary not to insist upon customs upon Goods that shall be carry'd to you and

they will obey my Orders. You may be Assur'd that I will be Assisting to you in all your Affairs. I now send you Two Letter's one in the Name of Gulam Mahomed my Deputy in Porto Novo, and the other in the Name of Mahomed Anever an Overseer of the Juncan houses belonging to Bonagary &ca, requiring 'em not to demand Customs upon your Goods and I hope you'll send the Letter to them. What can I say more.

P.S.—Continue to Write to me of your health and Wellfare.

No. 172.

FROM SHAICK MAHOMED HAMED THE PHOUSDAR OF PORTO NOVO &CA TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R.

REC'D THE 24TH AUG^ST 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that a few days past Venkatarama Braminya Nephew to Rangaya the Chief Inhabitants of Bonagary Country and Ranganada Pilla a Gomastah to the said Rangaya being protected by Armoga Pilla at Cuddalore your Honour's Town, and by his persuations took some of his Peons with them and fell upon Adoor &ca Villages belonging to the said Country and plundered them and Carry'd away a Number of Cattle &ca Goods and Effects belonging to the Inhabitants thereof to the amount of 2000 Cheras having given 'em very rough Usage; As there is perfect Unity between Us, I hope your honour will look upon my Government in the same light as your own and Order Armoga Pilla not to protect them and their Friend Nellamutta Causy Naick, and I hope also that you'll get the said Cattle &ca restored to its Owners; As it is now the season to plant Corn you'll be so good as to finish this Affair and order the Cattle &ca to be Restored as soon as possible. My Peons have Seized upon the s^d Vencatarama's Family at Suttoo Colam the Company's Village & I hope you'll Order your People to Deliver them to my Peons that they may bring them to me. I have sent my Strict Orders to all the Juncan People in my Limits not to demand Customs upon Provisions that shall be Carry'd to your place and they Will Obey my Orders. What can I say more.

N.B.—The said Phousdar has sent another Letter to the same purport on the 25th Instant only with this addition that his Peons have seiz'd upon Ranganada pillas Son & deliver'd him into One Appia Pilla's Custody & that your honour should order the said Appia Pilla for to Send him to him & he says that the Persons above Mention'd are indebted to the Circar in a large Sum, so y^t your Sending these people to him Would be a great pleasure to the Nabob.

No. 173.

FROM JAYANTARAMAY AT PULLICAT TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R.

DATED THE 25TH AUG^ST 1748.

I beg leave to inform your honour that after I have agreed with your honour for Selling 40 Garses of Paddy to be Measur'd with Fort St. Davids Marcal & to be Deliver'd to Mr. Beard, I took my leave of you and Arriv'd here with your honours Letter to Mr. Beard upon that business, and found that Mr. Beard had already sent for the Marcal from your place, upon which I was ready to measure out the Paddy but the Dutch Chief of this place was very angry with me & Ordered the Paddy to be Sold here in Small quantitys, I Answer'd him that you was the Owner for that Paddy and that the Vessell which has brought the said Paddy was Obliged to touch Pullicat Road meeting with contrary Wind in her passage to Fort St. David and Added that I have landed the said Paddy and put in Godown as your honour's Vakeel at that time & told him that the present Vakeel was Mr. Beard & that if he had anything to taulk about it he Should Speak to him, at this time Mr. Beard being Acquainted with what had passed between me & the Dutch Chief he went in Person to the Chief & Shew'd your honour's Letter sent to him upon that business but he Still insisted that it Should be Sold in Small Quantity's, at which Mr. Beard left him

whereupon he again sent for me & insist'd upon me to Sell it I refused to it & said that it belonged to the English Company, On this he Offer'd to Strike me with a Chear, I then left his house, but he has kept Two Peons over me and to Watch at my house; On this Day the Dutch Chief and Havildar of this place having Consulted together Ordered Two Garses of Paddy to be taken out of the Godown & the same to be Delivered to Buttick fellows to Sell in Small Quantitys, which they have Accordingly done, they told me that they Will continue to do so till the Whole was Expended, I hope Mr. Beard has Wrote to you of it on the 22d. Instant or before that; If you be so good as to Write Letters to the Dutch Chief and Sydoo Hussan the Havildar who is Brother in Law to Mahomed Camal & Send a Ship hither as soon as Possible you'll get the Paddy, & I will be releas'd from the Peons. I desire Your honour to send your Answer or directions to Mr. Beard touching this Affair as soon as possible.

No. 174.

FROM THE PHOUSADAR OF TERVENDUPORAM TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 27TH AUGST 1748.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint your Honour that I rec'd a Letter from Mahaphooz Cawn wherein he Acquainted me that in your Letter to him you have mention'd a Present of Rose Water, Almonds &ca was sent to him, wch he did not receive and that I should enquire into it; I asked Mr. Gordon about it who informed me that the Present was Ready to Send to Mahaphooz Cawn but by not getting the Cooleys at that time, the same was not sent; If it is true I must desire your honour to Order your Servants to Deliver it to my Cooleys, that it may be forwarded to Mahaphooz Cawn by me; The said Mahaphooz Cawn has sent his Answer's to your Letter & to that of the General by his Vakeel which were Carry'd to your Camp by Mr. Gordon & the Vakeel went with him; I hope these will wait on You this Day. A Victory may Attend you thro' Jesus Christ.

What can I say more.

No. 175.

ANOTHER LETTER FROM THE SAID MAN.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that some days ago I rec'd a Complaint from the Inhabitants of Bonagary Country that Vencataramaya a Nephew to Rangapa the Chief Inhabitants of the Said Country has Robb'd them of their Cattle having fell upon their Village by Night and they have Acquainted me at the same time, that the said Vencatarama has then liv'd in Termangory under my Government, upon Which I sent a horseman with Two Peons in Order to bring him to me but he has made his escape thro' the Mountains by the Woods belonging to a Certain Palligar; at length the said horseman and the Peons have Seized upon a Person who was a Relation to Vencata Chela Naick & had the Care of the Said Cattle and brought him to me, When I examin'd him, he made Use of your Name and Said that he has brot the said Cattle for P. 200, for the Use of the Company, upon Which I left both him and the Cattle, I do therefore take this Opportunity of Writing to you hoping that you'll exame into this Affair and do Justice that proper Owners may Attain to their right.

What can I say more.

No. 176.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN THE NABOB'S ELDEST SON AT GINGEE.

RECD THE 27TH AUGST 1748.

I have receiv'd your Letter Advising me of the Arrival of Several Ships of Warr with a large Number of Soldier's, in which Letter you have desired me to send One thousand Horses to yr Assistance, I assure you that it was always my inclination to

help you with a Force at your Call but one Bandary the Polligar having Raised Disturbances in these parts I was Obliged to surround his Castle with my Army which I hope you have heard of, If you had acquainted me with your desire before that, indeed I would have declined surrounding the said Castle & would have forwarded your Affairs, however by the Blessing of God as soon as I have finish'd this Affair, I will come to your Assistance. As for Other Matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of Geogey who will inform you Very fully. Pray Send me daily acc^t^ of the Transactions at your place.

What can I say more.

No. 177.

FROM HUSSAN CAWN TAKER AT GENGEY TO THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.

RECD THE 27TH AUGUST 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that some Villages belonging to Cauder Hussan Cawn's Jagueer are Neighbouring to Pondicherry and as there is brotherly friendship Subsisting between me and the said Hussan Cawn, I thought it Necessary to trouble you with this, hoping that you'll order your People not to do any injury to any of the said Villages.

What can I say more.

No. 178.

THE ANSWER.

I have rec'd your Letter and Observ'd the Contents and agreeable to your desire I will Order my People not to do any Injury to the Villages belonging to Cauder Hussan Cawn. I wish you health and happiness. What can I say more.

No. 179.

TO ANENTAH NARANAYA AT SALEM.

DATED THE 29TH AUG^ST^. 1748.

Having intelligence that a party of the Enemy are in Your Neighbourhood, I have sent a Strong Body of Forces to oppose them and take them prisoners and as you have always been a Friend to the English I must desire you will assist my people in this business, which is the same as your Own, for till we can drive that troublesome race of people out of this Country there will be no trade to and from your parts. Therefore I desire you'll give my People all the Assistance in your power. I Wish you health. What can I say more.

No. 180.

FROM GULAM MEERTAZA STEWARD TO MAHAPHOOZ CAWN TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^.

RECD THE 28TH AUG^T^ 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that the Nabob (Meaning Mahaphooz Cawn) was pleased to send a Letter to you by Geogey Krishnaya to Whom he has Delivered a Verbal Account of matters regarding his true friendship to you with an order to Acquaint you with it. Believe me to be your real friend and if you have business to Transact here write to me Constantly & I will Endeavour to do it. What can I say more.

No. 181.

FROM MEER HUSSAN CAWN THE GOV. OF VELDAVER FORT & BROTHER TO MEER SAUT.

RECD. THE 29TH AUGT. 1748.

It was inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction to me to hear that your Army has been so Successfull as to take Possession of Areyancupam and Wologary belonging to the Enemy, I do therefore take the liberty of paying you my Compliment of Joy upon that Occasion & wish that the Almighty may Grant that the English may be Victorious in all their Battles; I take the Liberty to inform you that during my Stay in Madrass One Vencatapetty Naick was a Servant to me but when Misfortune fell upon that Town he lost all his Effects in plunder and reduced to low Circumstances, which has Obliged him to come to me; A few days past I have sent the sd Vencataputty to your Camp in order to bring Intelligence thereof, but he had no my Letter with him, Now I am informed that your honours People having seiz'd upon him put him in prison by Suspician of a Stranger; I have Order'd the Merchants in my Limits continually to Supply your Camp with provisions and other Necessaries, which I hope you know of; Pray look upon my Fort in the same light as your own & Continue to write me of your health and Wellfare which I am very desirous to hear.

What can I say more.

No. 182.

FROM MAHAPHOOZ CAWN TO THE GOVERNOUR.

RECD THE 29TH AUGUST 1748.

I have been informed that one Vencatarama a Nephew to Eyengar has carry'd a Number of Cattle belonging to the Inhabitants of Audoor and Cama Samender Under the Jurisdiction of Bonagary Country & Sold them in your Camp but when you was acquainted with it you was so kind to Confine the said Vencatarama and his Family, for which I am Obliged to you; I must now desire you either to Deliver the sd Cattle to the said Inhabitants or to Shaik Mahomed Hamed the Phousdar of Bonagary. As for Vencatarama I desire you to send him & his friends that were concern'd in this Action, to me under the Care of the Circar's Peons.

What can I say more.

No. 183.

THE ANSWER.

I had the honour to receive your Letter Concerning the Cattle belonging to the Inhabitants of Bonagary Country & agreeable to your desire the said Cattle Deliver'd to the said Inhabitants and I hope they will inform you of it.

What can I say more.

No. 184.

TO THE PHOUSDAR OF PORTO NOVO AND BONA GARY.

I have received your Two Letters about the Cattle belonging to the Inhabitants of Bonagary Country, and agreeable to Your Desire I have Order'd what Number of Cattle that are brot into our bounds to be Delivered to your People & I hope they will inform you of it.

What can I say more.

No. 185.

To Mahaphooz Cawn.

I had the honour to receive yr Letter by Geogey and Observed the Contents; our General has wrote to you for What is Necessary, and I hope you'll Comply with his desire. I Wish you health and happiness.

What can I say more.

No. 186.

To Meer Gulam Murtaza a Steward to Mahaphooz Cawn.

I have recd your Two Letters & observ'd the Contents. Agreeable to your Request I have sent by your Chaubdar the present prepared for Mahaphooz Cawn which is a Chest of Rose Water containing 24 Flasks and a Bagg of Almonds pz 34 Mds. and I hope you'll forward them to Mahaphooz Cawn. You was pleas'd to Write to me in your Second Letter about the Cattle belonging to the Inhabitant of Bonagary Country, I have Examined into that Affair and Ordered the Cattle to be Return'd to the said Inhabitants. I wish you health and happiness.

What can I say more.

No. 187.

To Meer Hussan Cawn Govr of Veldavoor Fort the 31st August 1748.

I have received your Letter and thank you for the Compliment of Joy you have pd me therein, you was pleased to write me about one Vencataputty the Prisoner in our Place, I must tell you that I have been Credibly inform'd that after Madrass was lost he has Serv'd the French in that Town which I find you did no; Our Customs are not to Suffer the Persons that have serv'd the Enemy to come into our Limits and if such Persons are found they are Commonly hanged, but as you say that he has Serv'd you in Madrass I won't punish him to Death but will release him in a Short time. Continue to Write to me of your health and Wellfare.

No. 188.

To Sydoo Hussan the Havildar at Pullicat Augst the 31st Anno 1748.

I have been informed that you have Seiz'd upon the Company's Paddy which was under Care of Jayantaramaya and intend to get it Sold in Pullicat, which has astonish'd me greatly, I Suppose you have heard of the Arrival of Our Ships of Warr with a large Number of Men and of our Expedition against the French, As our Army is Very Great it requires great Quantity's of Grain &ca provisions for their Daily Sustainance, I hope therefore that you'll on receipt of this Letter cease troubling Jayantarama and to let my People to embark the said Paddy on board of a Ship I shall Send thither for that purpose. I am told that you are a Relation to Mahomed Camal who was an Inhabitant of Madrass, since it is so, You Should look upon our Affairs in the same light as your Own & do Us all necessary Services in your power at this Juncture.

No. 189.

To Sunca Ramah at Pullicat.

I have rec'd your Letter & Observ'd the Contents, as the Company's Accounts must be soon settled I cannot grant you further time for to come hither nor can I write to Mr. Beard upon that business agreeable to your Request, I do therefore require you to come hither wth all possible Speed. What can I say more.

No. 190.

To Jayantarama the 31st Augst 1748.

I have rec'd your Letter & Observ'd the Contents, & I have Wrote Letters to the Phousdar &ca. Concerning the Paddy that is in yr Custody and will send a Ship thither Shortly to bring the said Paddy. What can I say more.

No. 191.

From Mahomed Ally Cawn the Govr of Polore & Brother to Chenda Saib to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd. the 1st Sept. 1748.

I have rec'd your Letter wherein you was pleased to mention that you have rec'd Intelligence that Ally Raza Cawn Son to Chenda Saib at Pondicherry has Joined the French against the English & that he is Assisting in their Affairs but I must tell you that it is a false Story Raised by some Censorious Persons, the Case being as hereafter mentioned, that Chenda Saibs Wife has borrowed a Certain Sum of Money from the French Governour at Pondicherry on Account of a Wedding, and he insisted upon the Payment of it and Detain'd Zayanel Abadeen *alias* Bada Saib's Family and Chenda Saib's Son in his Town, at Which the Debt was Discharged, notwithstanding that Wicked Governour Still keeps them and refuses to give leave to go out, I wish you'll punish the French severely ; I must entreat you to have a Special care of the said Ally Raza Cawn and Bada Saib's Family ; Chenda Saib is Arrived at Savanoor and Bencapoor with a large Army and he is expected into these parts in a very Short time, and in the interim, if you do good Offices to his People the same shall not be forgotten ; As you was pleased to write to me the Letter testifying your friendship to me I hope you'll Continue to do every instance of it, that on Chenda Saib's Arrival the same may be made known to him, who will then Certainly maintain a Strict friendship to you. As for other Matters I referr you to Muttals Letter whom I have wrote very fully I must repeat my entreaties to you to have a Special care and Circumspection to Chenda Saib's Son and Bada Saibs Family ; Nabob Aneverdean Cawn and Hussan Cawn Taker were pleased to send their Letters to you upon that matter and hope you'll be so kind as to Act according to their Desires yt it may please all great men in the province.

What can I say more.

N.B.—Bada Saib is youngest Brother to Chenda Saib.

No. 192.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn to the Hon'ble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd. the 3d Sept. 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that I was told that a Mocha Ship came and Anchor'd in Porto Novo Road but that your People have carry'd her to your Port, I think that thus carrying away the Ship from the Circar's Seaport is quite Contrary to yr Sincere friendship to me. I hope therefore that you'll now give strict orders to your People not to detain her but to let her go against to Port Novo.

What can I say more.

No. 193.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Dated the 5th Sept 1748.

In Answer to your Excellency's Lre received this day, I must inform you that one of Our Ships of Warr going to the Southward saw near Porto Novo, but not directly in the Road, a Ship & as it is their Custom in War time to examine every

Ship they met with, so they Wreck'd (*sic*) this Vessell and found her Commanded by a French man, an Enemy to our Nation, which is Contrary to the laws of Our Nation. There is Great Reason to believe the Coyo (*sic? cargo*) belongs likewise to Them, but that will be Examined into and justice be done on both sides. I wish your Excellency health.

What can I say more.

No. 194.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.
RECEIVED THE 6TH SEPT. 1748.

I have received your Letter Advising the Arrival of your Squadron from England, and your preparing to Attack Pondicherry.

Agreeable to your desire Some time ago I have sent Strict Orders to all the Havildars to give you their Utmost Aid and Supply your Camp with Provisions, I sent you the said Perwana or Letters by your Own People, all which I hope you have Received.

I must acquaint you that the Familys of Nabob Ally Dust Cawn deceas'd and the Family of Chanda Saib are residing at Pondicherry, I hope you'll please to give Strict Orders to your people not to Molest the said Familys, when or at the time they Shall get into the Fort to take possession of it.

What can I say more.

No. 195.

FROM SUMPT ROY DEEWAN.

I received your Affectionate Letter and am Glad to hear the Arrival of your Squadron, a long before I rec'd your Letter I have sent Letters to all the Havildar's to Assist you in your desire, I hope You'll always Advise me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 196.

FROM MOORTEZ ALLY CAWN NABOB OF VELLOOR.

I have Rec'd your Letter inclos'd with the Phirmaund of his Highness Nausir Jung which mentions to give you all the Assistances, I observe the Contents thereof I acquaint you that there is a Strict Friendship Subsisting between the English & me, particularly with you from a long time, I did not fail to Assist Fort St. George in the last Warr against the French, nor now Nothing Shall be wanting On my Side to Serve you to the Extent of my Power, I will prepare a Strong & proper Force to your assistance in a few days, & I hope you'll send me your Vakeel with all Speed & Advise me Always of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 197.

FROM MEERASSEDULLA CAWN GOV OF CHITTEPETTA.

I have rec'd your kind Letter & Understand the Contents, I have Also Received the Phirmaund of his highness Nausir Jung which you sent me, wherein his highness Ordered me to give you my Utmost aid, & Stop Provisions going into Pondicherry.

You may be Assur'd, agreeable to the Commands of his highness I shall take care to comply with your desire, as there is a Strict Friendship Subsisting between Us, I desire you'll esteem me to be yours, & Continue to let me hear of your Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 198.

FROM HOSSAIN CAWN TOYER.

I have not Rec'd a Letter from you from a long time, & I hope 'll please to Write me always of your Wellfare

I must Acquaint You (as your Army is proceeded towards Pondicherry) that the Family's of Nabob Ally Dust Cawn deceased, & the Family of Chanda Saib & Joynal Aubeen are Residing at Pondicherry, I therefore desire you'll please to Order your People not to give any Molestations to the Said Family's but take care to help them by all means.

What can I say more.

No. 199.

FROM ABDULL JALEEL CAWN.

I have Rec'd your kind Letter & Understand the Contents, a long ago I have sent an Order to Mahomed Wozam &ca. Havildars of my Country, to Supply your Camp with all Necessary provisions, and give you their Utmost Aid, I was desirous to come myself with a proper Force to Assist you, but I was Obliged to Accompanie Nabob Mahofoz Cawn to Attack Bundary Pollygar of Vantavelum, whome I hope we Shall destroy in a few days, you may be Assur'd that I Shall be very Glad to Serve you what lies in my Power, Pray let me hear Always of your Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 200.

FROM KEIRADEAN CAWN.

I have Rec'd your Letter Advising the Arrival of your Squadron & Attacking Pondicherry, you desired me to Supply your Camp with Provisions &ca I have Rec'd the Perwana of Nabob Aneverdy Cawn, which you sent me about the same all which I duely Understand, and wish you Success in your Undertakings; I truely say that I do esteem your business as that of my own Affairs, I have sent inclosed a Letter to the Havildar of Trevidy &ca my country, to Supply you with provisions &ca I hope you'll let me know fully if you Want anything from me either in Writing or by a proper person, and I Shall take care to Comply Every thing according to your desire.

What can I say more.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER SENT BY KEIRADEAN CAWN TO ANUP ROY HAVILDAR OF TRIVIDY &CA.

The Governour of Fort St. George designs to Attack Pondicherry I therefore Order you not to detain or Stop any Provisions that Shall be carry'd to the Camp by the Govr his people (about your Customs) but let them pass freely without any rate & you are to Order the Merchants in yr Country to Comply with the request of the Gov[r] people.

No. 201.

FROM NABOB ANEVERDEAN CAWN TO ADMIRAL GRIFFIN.

I have rec'd Your Letter about sending my Orders to the Gov[rs] under me to Assist & Supply with Provisions to your Camp, According to your desire sometime ago I have sent Orders to the said Gov[rs] about the same & as you wrote me that you are going home to England, I wish God will carry you safe to the desired Port, and you may be Assured that I shall be very Glad to assist all your Nations.

What can I say more.

No. 202.

FROM SUMPET ROY DEEWAN TO THE SAID ADMIRAL.

The same as was wrote by Aneverdean Cawn.

No. 203.

FROM HOSSAIN CAWN TOYER TO THE S^D^. ADMIRAL.

I have Rec'd you kind Letter advising the King of England has been pleased to give you leave to Return home, & has Sent a most worthy Gentlemen Admiral Boscawin with a great Force to carry on the War against the French, all which I duly Understand, I Wish the Devine Providence will carry you safe to the place desir'd, & am Glad to hear the Arrival of the Admiral, & I doubt not but he will carry on the Warr ag^t^ the French. Pray Advise me Always of your Health and Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 204.

FROM THE HON'BLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ^R^. TO SULTAN JOYNAL AUBDEEN MAUZEM SHAW KING OF CUDDAH SEPT. 7TH, 1748.

Tho' I have had not the honour of Receiv^g^ a Letter from you from a long time Yet I take the liberty to write you these few lines to inquire into your Majestys' health & acquaint you that Our great Reinforcement is Arrived here from England & our Admiral with his Land Forces is laying a Seize to Pondicherry & fighting against the Enemy, who I hope'll Soon be conquer'd.

Your Necquoda has taken his leave from me in Order to return to your Majesty, I have assisted him in the disposal of the Elepht^s^ & in everything else he desired of me, and I hope your Majesty will please to Continue your Trade to this Port, that thereby I may Demonstrate my Respects and friendship to yr Majesty.

I have Rec'd the Presents your Majesty has been pleased to send me by your Necquodah, I now send you a few trifles, which I beg your acquaintance *sic* of & please to Advise me Always of your health, I wish your Majesty a long Continuance of health & Prosperity.

No. 205.

TO NABOB ANVERDY CAWN.

SEPT. THE 7 H 1748.

I beg leave to Address your Excellency that I have ordered some Calicoes to be provided for the Use of the Honble Company in the Circars Country near Madrass &c., & as it would be troublesome or perhaps no safe Conveyance to bring them over-land to Fort St. David, I have determined that the same Should be Carryed to Pullicat & from thence to be Shipt on board one of our Ships to be brought hither, I hope therefore that your Excellency will be pleas'd to send me Two Phirmaunds One in the Name of the Phousdar of Poonemely Country requiring him to receive no more Customs upon the said Goods than What has been Usual when Madrass was in our possession, & the Other in the Name of the Phousdar at Pullicat to permit them to be embarked free of Customs. I Wish your Excellency health & happiness.

What can I say more.

P.S.—The said Goods Shall be Carry'd to Pullicat thro' the means of Termangalem Comarapa & Muttiah.

No. 206.

To Abdull Jaleel Cawn the Phousdar of Valeperam and Ternama Nelloor.

Sept. the 7th 1748.

I take the Liberty to Acquaint you that a few days past the Nabob was pleased to Send a Letter to you desiring you to give Us all manner of Assistance in respect to provisions &ca. the said Letter was brought to me and I have sent it to you which I hope is come safe to your hands. I hear frequent complaints from my People that the people in your Limits always Stop the Company's provisions as Bullocks &ca. coming to Us and Detain them to no purpose by Which reason we can't get them brought to Us in time, you know very well that our Army is very great and that it requires a large Quantity of provisions of all Sorts for their daily Sustainance I was Just now inform'd that your People at Perwanah Nelloor Stopt 40, Cowes, all which I believe is done without your knowledge, I hope therefore that you'll send your Strict orders to the People in your Limits not to Offer to Stop or hinder our provisions but be Assisting to Us in all our Affairs.

What can I say more.

No. 207.

To Azeemeddeen Cawn the Killadar at Gengey.

I have been inform'd that the People in your Limits always Offer to hindor the provisions coming to Our place thro' they had a Dustock shewn from under his Excellency Seal. As there is a perfect Friendship between Us, I thought fit to Advise you with it hoping that you'll send your Strict orders to let it pass what they now Detain & not to Offer to hinder the provisions that May come to Us for the future, If I can be of any Service to you in these parts Write to me.

What can I say more.

No. 208.

To Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Sept. 8th 1748.

Your Excellency was pleased to Send me lately four Letters in the Name of Several Neighbouring Governours in Order to Assist us with provisions &ca. and as Sufficient provisions are not to be had in these parts I was Obliged to send my people to the Distant Countries belonging to the Circar for to buy them, but I hear that the Circars Officers in those parts Offer to hinder them from buying, & if bought they Stop it under pretence of duty, in such case if your Excellency's Dustock is shewn, they say that it is an Old one & that a New Dustock must be brought to them, I hope your Excellency wont Suffer such hinderences in Our Affairs and desire therefore you'll be pleased to Order a New one to be granted and Also a General Phirmaund in the Name of all the Officers in the Circar's Country to be assisting in our Affairs.

What can I say more.

No. 209.

To Sumpet Roy.

Sept. the 8th 1748.

I have sent Two Letters to his Excellency desiring him to Send a New Dustock and Letters to the Governour of Poonemelly, Pullicat &ca which I hope will come to your perusal & must desire you to Engage your Interest in that Affair and procure the Said Dustock & Letters as soon as possible & send them to me which I Shall take as a very great favour.

What can I say more.

No. 210.

FROM SHAICK MAHOMED HAMED THE PHOUSDAR OF BONAGARY & PORTO NOVO TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R].

RECD. THE 10TH SEPT. 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to Receive your kind Letter wherein you was pleased to mention that you have Ordered all the Cows belonging to the Inhabitants of Bonagary Country to be delivered to them, or to my People, which I thank you, but I must inform you that the Number of the Cows which was Carryd to your place was 99 out of which 91, was only delivered and the remaining 8 Detained in your Place, as also 22, Cows belonging to Vencatarama the Disturber, which were seiz'd by my people and Delivered to Muttall Naick the Peon, who Attends Armogapilla, These 22 Cowes were bought in Patchancupam, The said Vencatarama is largely indebted to the Circar & he having taken his Residence in your Limits has raised Disturbances in the Circars Villages by help of some of his Friends as I have wrote to you in my last Letters ; My people have Seiz'd on the said Vencataramas Family & Rangapah Naick and delivered them into the custody of the aid Muttal Naick & they have also Seiz'd upon Ranganada pillas Son and Delivered him into Appia pilla's Custody who is a Servant to the Company, but when my People Demanded them to redeliver the said Persons, they Answered that they Should go & Seek for them, which I think is quite contrary to reason, As they have taken the said People into their Charge, I Suppose they must on all Accounts deliver them to Us, I hope therefore that you'll give your Strict orders to them to deliver up the said Persons to my People; If they are Suffered to have their Liberty they will certainly continue to raise Disturbances in the Circars Villages which will occasion loss to them, I hope you'll look upon the Circars Affairs in the Same light as your Own and order both the Cows which are 30, in Number as Aforesaid & the Abovemention'd Persons to be Deliver'd up which I shall Esteem as a very great favour Continue to write to me of your health & Wellfare & of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

What can I say more.

No. 211.

TO CAYANELLA CAWN THE GOVERNOUR OF ALEMBARA TO THE NORTHWARD.

SEPT. THE 11TH 1748.

I have sent my People to your Limits in Order to buy provisions and other Necessaries for our Camp and hope you'll assist them in the purchased thereof and permit them to be Conveyed hither either by Sea or Land as Opportunity would Offer without any hinderence, which I shall esteen as a particular favour. If I can be of any Service to you in these parts write to me.

What can I say more.

No. 212.

FROM THE NEW PHOUSDAR OF TERVENDUPORAM TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQ[R].

REC'D THE 12TH SEPT. 1748.

I have received your Letter & Observed the Contents and must acquaint you that the Government of Tervenduporam Country is now entrusted with Abdull Jaleel Cawn who was pleased to send me to this place to Undertake the Management of it and I arrived in Tervenduporam on the 9th Instant. You was pleased to write to me about the Company's Tabacco, Agreeable to your request I have sent my Strict Orders to the Juncan People not to Stop it and I hope they'll Obey my said Orders. I have had the pleasure to hear of your Goodness, and as I am now your Neighbour I dont doubt but that you'll be my friend and Shew favours to me, which will be a

great pleasure to the said Abdull Jaleel Cawn; I think it Necessary to inform your Honour that that Washanada Redy &ca the Chief Inhabitant of Tervendeporam Country live in your place to whom Necessity obliges me to Write Letters very often but I hear that your people who Watch in yr Mettoes Offer to Stop them, I hope therefore that you'll be so kind as to order them not to Stop them, Abdull Jaleel Cawn is gone to your Camp with 300, Horse and I hope you have heard of it. Continue to write to me of your health and Wellfare.

What can I say more.

P.S.—I have no the Persian Writer by me, & therefore I got this Letter wrote in Hindavey Language & hope that you'll write to me in the same Language for the future.

No. 213.

To the New Phousdar of Tervenduporam.

12th Sept. 1748.

I am informed that the Juncan People in your Limits have Stopt some of the Tobacco Bags coming to this place for the Use of our Camp, I suppose the same is done without your knowledge, I hope therefore that you'll give Strict Orders to them to permit the said Bags to be brot hither & not to Offer to hinder anything that is coming to Us for the future

What can I say more.

No. 214.

From Hussan Cawn Taher to the Governor.

Recd the 12th Sept. 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that it is a long time since I had the pleasure to receive a Letter from you & I hope you'll Constantly favour me by Writing to me As it is the Duty of friends so to do; I have received a Letter of Complaint from the Havildar at Bagoor which is Zeyenedelly Cawn's Jagueer that your Army which have Surrounded Pondicherry having fell upon the Villages belonging thereto, plundered them and continue to Injure the Inhabitants thereof, on all Accounts; As each others Limits are to be looked upon in the Same light, I take the Liberty to trouble you with these few Lines hoping that you'll give your strict Orders to the People of your Camp not to injure or Molest the said Inhabitants on any account Whatsoever.

What can I say more.

No. 215.

From Sydou Hussan Phousdar of Pullicat to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 15th Sept. 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to receive yr kind Letter advising me of your Expedition against Pondicherry and of the Necessity you was in for Grain &ca provisions for your Camp. You was pleased to desire me in the said Letter to permit a Certain Quantity of Paddy which is in Jayanta Ramah's Custody to be Conveyed to your place & to be Assisting in your Affairs; I assure you that the Companys Affairs are dearer to me than my life: I Esteem them equal to that of the Circar but am Sorry that I am so far from you; It is true that the said Jayanta Rama is a Notable Merchant who Carrys his Trading Vessell to your Port as well as to the Circars & he always Received the Circars Assistance in his Affairs, he has brought Two or three Vessells to Pullicat road this Year & was selling his Grain here at very high rate, as no Rain has fallen into these parts, there is great Scarcity of Grain at present and the

People here are in great want of it, tho' it would be a Discreditt to me to Suffer any Quantity of Grain to be carry'd out of this place at this Juncture, yet in regard to your friendship I have given leave for what you have desired but the Dutch here being persuaded by their Dubashes troubles, the said Jayanta Ramah very much upon that Account, indeed the Usage of theirs is a great Discouragement to a Merchant; I have Spoke to them about it but they won't hear me, all which I hope has reached your Ears, I repeat it to you that on my Part I have given leave for your Paddy & as the Dutch are Scrupulous about it I hope they will at length be ashamed of their Actions. Till an Opportunity offers to pay you a Visit, continue your Correspondence with me.

What can I say more.

No. 216.

From Shaick Reamulla the late Phousdar of Tervendapuram Country

Recd the 15th Sept. 1748.

This is On purpose to Acquaint you that I have rec'd a Letter from Nabob Aneverdy Cawn wherein he was pleased to inform me that Bandary who Declared was against him, relying upon the Strength of his Woods was routed and has made his Escape and that Victory has Crown'd his Arms; on this Occasion his Excellency has wish'd me Joy as also to others who were his well Wishers; It was my Ardent desire to see or hear of your Conquest over Pondicherry while I was in this Place, but heaven has disappointed me in it by depriving me of my Government of the said Country, this is contrived by Shevenada Redy the Chief Inhabitant of Mendapet and Two other villages belonging to the sd Country, who by his Wicked intentions has represented to the Durbar that the Yearly Revenues of the said Country Amounted to Rups. 35,000 but that I paid less to the Circar, on this Story Mahaphooz Cawn and the Divan have Committed the Government of it to the Charge of Abdull Jaleel Cawn; Sometime agoe the Divan wrote to me yt if I would pay Rups. 27,600 per Annum Exclusive of Peons Wages and Durbar Charges, the Government of the said Country should be Continued to me or else he would give it to some other, I answered him that I could not pay his Demand & that he may give it to whom he pleas'd. If you Will be so as to Ask Wishanada Redy who is always with you concerning the Circumstances of the said Country he will inform you of the Whole; I was happy in being your Neighbour during this time, but now as Necessity obliges me to be far from you I hope you'll not forget me but continue your kindness to me. God grant you a Victory over your Enemy thro' Jesus Christ.

What can I say more.

No. 217.

From Siddey Abdull Gaphoor Cawn the Killadar of Aulembara
To the honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Rec'd the 19th Sept. 1748.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your kind Letter after not having heard from you a long time, wherein you was pleased to mention that you have sent your People into my Limits in Order to buy provisions and other Necessaries and that as there is a perfect Unity between Us I should be assisting to them; Let me take the liberty to Acquaint you that your people have now paid me a Visit & before I rec'd the said Lre. I gave my Strict Orders to my People not to Offer to hinder the Provisions and other Necessaries that shall be Carryed to your place either by Land &ca and now agreeable to your request I have repeated my said Orders to them; As I am a Neighbour to you Believe me to be your real friend and look upon my Affairs in the same light as your Own.

What can I say more.

No. 218.

From Sayeed Hussan Cawn the Governour of Vicarvandy to the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R

Recd the 24th Sept. 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint you that I have a House in Pondicherry which I hope you are acquainted with, it Cost me a large Sum of Money, your Justice & Goodness emboldens me to hope that on your Conquest of Pondicherry you'll not suffer any one to do injury to it, If you resolve to destroy the buildings in the said Town after it is taken, I have a firm hope that you'll befriend me in saving that house by Ordering your Serv^ts to take care of it and not to Suffer it to be pulled down, which will lay me under a very great Obligation. Till an Opportunity offers to pay you a Visit, I desire you'll keep your Correspondence withme.

What can I say more.

No. 219.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn to the Honble Charles Floyer Esq^R.

Recd the 24th Sept. 1748.

I have received your Two Letters and agreeable to your request therein I now send you a Dustock concerning Grain &ca provisions in the Name of all the Officers, Jgueerdars &ca as also Two Letters in the Name of the Naib's in Poonemelly and Pullicatt Strictly Commanding them to permit your Callicoes to be freely Carry'd I hope these Orders will come to your hands by y^r Vakeel; I am to Acquaint you that by the blessing of God Bandary who Declared was against me was taken Prisoner & beheaded & that Calool Gada Fort is possess'd by the Circar, I hope your Vakeel has wrote to you very fully upon that matter; God grant you Joy on this Conquest as well as to others.

What can I say more.

No. 220.

From Sampet Roy the Divan.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your Letter, & the Letters, which you have sent to the Nabob were presented and Agreeable to your request therein, I now send your Dustock and Letters in the Name of the Phousdar at Poonemelly and Pullicat Strictly Commanding them not to Stop the Goods which you would send for; I hope you'll be frequent in Writing of your Wellfare to me together with the Occurrences of your Place.

What can I say more.

P.S.—I think it Necessary to Acquaint you that by the blessing of God & his Excellency's power we have made a conquest of Calool Fort on the 17th Instant. Bandary *alias* Paraya was taken Prisoner and beheaded & his head sent to his Excellency (meaning Nausir Jung) God grant you & all other friends Joy on this Account.

No. 221.

To Sayeed Hussan Cawn the Governour of Vicarvandy.

The 25th Sept. 1748.

I have rec'd your friendly Letter and Observed the Contents; you was pleased to write to me concerning your House in Pondicherry. The General who is now before Pondicherry is the King's Servant and acts agreeable to his Masters orders, so that I cannot tell what his resolution will be after he has taken the said Town; you

may be Assur'd that I am willing to do my friends all the Service I can, so that if I can assist you after the Town is taken about the said House I will do it, Continue to write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 222.

FROM MAHOMED ALLY CAWN.

RECD THE 26TH SEPT. 1748.—PER MUTTALL.

I was extreamly glad to receive your Agreeable Letter together with that of Nausir Jung in order to assist you, as Our friendship is of a long Standing I hope you must be Sensible of all the Assistance I have given to the English in their Affairs lately, your Letter now would have been only Sufficient in respect to my Assistance, but as you sent me his Excellency's said Letter I cannot but deem it to be better; I must inform you that agreeable to his Excellency order I have sent my Strict Order's to all the Governours, Phousdars, Naibs, Zemeadars, Radars, & Choukey Dares towards Pondicherry not to Supply the French with provisions, piece Goods &ca & you may Observe that on my part I am willing to come to your Assistance. Be perfectly easy on all Accounts. You may be assur'd of my good inclination to you & continue to write to me of your Wellfare together with the Occurrences of your place.

What can I say more.

No. 223.

FROM SHAICK MAHOMED HOMED THE PHOUSDAR OF PORTO NOVO PER MUTTALL.

I was Extreamly glad to receive your Letter advising me of the Arrival of Admiral Boscawen with a Strong fleet & Force in Order to punish the French. You have sent the Nabob's Letter with it which required me to Assist you in all yr affairs. As it was my Constant Prayer to the Almighty to see all your Ships & Forces safe in these Seas I cannot rightly express the Joy I conceive thereat. Now my Prayers are that you may Obtain your desir'd ends. You was pleased to desire me in the said Letter to procure Cooley's to your Service & Supply you with Provisions and permit the same to be freely carryed to your place; you may be Assur'd that I will assist you in all your Affairs; The assistance which I have hitherto given you I hope are in yr remembrance. Continue to write to me of your health & Wellfare & of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

P.S.—I rec'd your said Letter together with that of the Nabobs very late that is to say on the 22d Instant; As there is a perfect friendship between Us, there was no Occasion for the Nabobs Letter however since you was pleased to send it to me, you may be Assur'd that nothing shall be wanting in me to Assist you all in my power.

No. 224.

TO NABOB ANEVERDY CAWN.

THE 27TH SEPT. 1748.

It was an inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction to me to receive your Excellency's Letter which gave an Acct of your conquest of Calool Gada Fort and I hereby take the liberty to pay you my Compliments on this Occasion and beg your acceptance of the same together with a small present of 11 Moharees sent to your Excellency as a Token of my Joy. It is my Constant wish that you may be Victorious in all your Battles with your Enemies.

What can I say more.

No. 225.

To Sampet Roy.

the 27th Sept. 1748.

I was extreamly glad to receive your kind Letter which gave an Account of the conquest of Caloul Gada Fort; I wish you Joy on this Account as also to all the Circars well Wishers. Continue to write to me of your health.

What can I say more.

P.S.—I now send you a present of 9 Flasks of Wine, & hope you'll accept of them.

No. 226.

From Woodayer the Pollygar to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Rec'd the 28th Sept. 1748.

I have rec'd your Letter and Observed the Contents. You was pleased to mention that Admiral Boscawen is Arrived from England with a Strong fleet and Force in Order to retake Madrass and to take Pondicherry & that you'll be soon in Possession of Pondicherry. You was pleased to send Nausir Jung's Letter to me wch required of me to Assist you & desired me at the same time to send assistance to you. As there is a perfect Unity between us, in Consequence of it each of our Limits are to be looked upon In the same light & in such case, can I neglect to send a Force to your Assistance. I think that it was entirely Needless to send Nausir Jung's Letter to me upon that subject; As there is a large fleet and Sufficient Number of Soldiers Arrived at yr place from England I don't doubt but that Pondicherry will be taken by you in a Short time; There is a Pollygar constantly attending you from my place with a Force and you may depend upon it that I will send more to your assistance, as you are ingenious & our friendship is of a long Standing and encreases as the New Moon I can say nothing further on this Subject. Continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare & of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

What can I say more.

No. 227.

From Pratap Shing King of Tanjore to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Rec'd the 28th Sept. 1748.

I am in perfect health & hope you enjoy the same, I have rec'd your Letter inclosed with the Phirmaund of Nabob Nausir Jung & am extreamly Glad to hear the safe Arrival of your Ships & Land Force, & their proceeding agst the French Nation, I am very glad by the receipt of his highnesses Phirmaud & your kind Expressions of the former Friendship, I wish you Success in all your Undertakings & destroy the Enemy in a few days.

I shall be Glad to assist you to the extent of my power as soon as you desire I have sent my Forces to take Correcal from the French, & I hope you'll assist me in this Affair, that I may take my Place as soon as possible.

Pray advise me always of yr health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 228.

From Hircoomet Roy Brother to Sampet Roy at Arcott

Rec'd 28th Sept. 1748.

This is on purpose to acquaint you that Namashevoy the Circar's Goldsmith has informed me that Tanapah, Coopah & another Goldsmith have disputes between them but they neither Submit the same to the Decision of Arnachelem who is their head

nor to Arbitrators in this place. I do therefore take this Opportunity of writing to you desiring you'll oblige the said Goldsmiths to Apply to the s^{d} Arnechelem and represent or Submit the Affair in Dispute to the Decision of Arbitrators.

What can I say more.

No. 229.

FROM HIS HONOUR TO BASAVARAZ THE POLLYGAR & A RELATION TO MAUBRAZ TO THE NORTHWARD,

SEPT. THE 29TH 1748.

I have been Credibly informed some of your people have robbed Chouliopa the Companys Servant of Certain Toys and other Effects, since you are a well wisher to the English and your Relations are in our service I cannot but wonder that you have Suffered the robbery to be committed on our servant, I expect therefore that you'll on receipt of this letter get the said Toys &ca restored & then write to me of it, otherwise it may be attended with bad consequences to you. As you are a Wise man I will say nothing further to you on this Subject.

What can I say more.

No. 230.

TO HUCOOMET ROY BROTHER TO SAMPET ROY THE DIVAN

THE 29TH SEPT. 1748.

I have received your Letter & observed the contents, you was pleased to write me concerning the disputes between the Goldsmiths; I take the liberty to acquaint you that I have sent for the persons mention'd in your Letter who are our Inhabitants and examin'd them who Declared that they never had Disputes either with the Circar's Goldsmith or with Arnachelem & added that if any one has had Disputes with them, they are Willing to Submit to the Determination of Arbitrations, I must therefore desire you to send such Persons who have Disputes with the said Goldsmiths to this place which I hope you'll look upon in the same light as your Own, that I may get it Decided by Arbitrators, you may be Assur'd that Strict Justice shall be done in this place. What can I say more.

No. 231.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR. FROM BANGAR NAIQUE

RECD THE 4TH OCTOBER 1748.

I am in perfect health & I hope you enjoy the same. I have Rec'd your letter inclosed with the Phirmaund of his highness Nausir Jung & am glad to hear the Arrival of your Squadron & Land Force & their preparing to Proceed against Pondicberry in a few days. Agreeable to your desire I shall very glad to assist you to the Extent of my Power, as there has been a Strict Friendship Subsisted between Us from a long time, of Which you may be Rest Satisfied. I have wrote to Mootal at large about it, he will inform you fully. Please to Advise me always of your Wellfare. What can I say more.

No. 232.

TRANSLATE OF A LETTER FROM YATCHEM NAIQUE.

The same as was wrote by Bangar Naigue.

FROM DAMERLA VENCATAPA NAIGUE.

With much Pleasure & Satisfaction I rec'd your favour inclosed with the Phirmaund of his highness Nausir Jung.

There has been a Strict friendship Subsisted between your predecessors & me from a long time, I never did nor shall fail to give you my Utmost Aid, but that you shall find me always ready to Serve you what lyes in my Power, all the Rest I have Wrote to Mootal, who will inform you fully. I desire you'll let me know always of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 233.

From Nabob Aneverdy Cawn.

Recd the 7th Oct^{R}. 1748.

I was Extreamly glad to receive your Letter of Congratulation with a present of 11 Moharas concerning the Victory which I had Gained over Calool Gada Fort by Ordering Bandary to be beheaded and wish that Effects of it may be favourable to me, you & all other wellWishers. You may be Assur'd of my Good inclination to you & Continue to Write to me of the Occurrences of your Place.

What can I say more.

No. 234.

From Sampetroy.

I was Extreamly glad to receive yr Letter of Congratulation concerning the Conquest of Calool Gada Fort and of Bandary being beheaded & wish that God may grant you Joy & all other friends On this Occassion. Continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

P.S.—You was pleased to send me a present of 9 Flasks of Liquor wch I have rec'd.

No. 235.

From Hussan Ally Cawn Nabob of Razabunda

Recd the 7TH Oct. 1748.

Sometime agoe I rec'd your Letter desiring to Assist your Factory at Injeram in the Country of Razabunda belonging to me ; I take ye liberty to Acquaint you, that in the time of Ally Cully Cawn Deceas'd, I have given some Ground belonging to Suncarpollum to Mr. Prince Chief at Enjerum his request in Order to build Houses for the flourishment of the Factory. I am Still desirous to Cultivate a Strict Friendship with all your Nations, & see your Trade to be Carry'd on Commendably without any lett, & I do Esteem your business at Enjerum more Consequence than my Own. I have sent 2 of my Grabs laden with Paddy to Tevenepatam, One of which Grabb comes from Curveer, I wrote a letter to your Hon^{r} & desired you to Assist my People in the disposal of the Paddy free from Customs, Mr. Saunders has also wrote you about it, & I suppose that you have given your Assistance therein According to desire, but as my Gomastah's did Spend a long time there, I have sent Zehordean bugg to take care of the Paddy & dispose of it with all Speed, I order'd him also to carry the Grabb which Anchored at Curveer to Tervenepatam & dispose of the Paddy & send me the Produce in a Bill of Exchange from Nanadotry Shroff, I therefore desire your honour will please to Assist him in the disposal of the Paddy & in every Thing else, & dispatch him back to me as soon as possible, & I shall take care to retatiate the favour to your Factory in these parts, please to Continue to Advise me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 236.

The Answer.

I have rec'd your kind Letter & am Glad to hear the friendship you was pleased to express for me, which I shall take care to Cultivate & improve as far as lyes in my power, your People have disposed of the Paddy as I heard, & gonaway from hence a long agoe; I shall be very Glad to assist you in any of your Request for the future Your Gomastah Zehordeanbugg is now returned back to you so that I have no more to Acquaint you with at present, but desire a Continuance of your friendship, & let me know Always of your health & wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 237.

To Nabob Aneverdean Cawn.

Recd the 18th Octr. 1748.

I take the liberty to Acquaint yr Excellency that Several Merchants & Inhabitants of Madrass resided in the Circar's Country under your Protection since the loss of Madras Unmolested till lately, the Phousdar of Poonemally without having any Reason for so doing, Robb'd China Mootu Chitty one of our Merchants & Convey'd all his Jewels & Effects to Poonemally from Trivambore, I desire your Excellency will please to repremend the Phousdar And order him to Restore the said Jewells &ca to China Mootu Chitty his People, & Continue your Protection towards the rest of the people belonging to Madrass residing in your Country till we take possession of that place which we hope we shall do soon; I wish Your Excellency a long Continuance of health & happiness.

What can I say more.

No. 238.

To Tucky Saib Govr. of Wondewash.

12th Octr. 1748.

I am inform'd that your People have Stopt 40 Oxloads of Rice belonging to our Company which were bringing into the Bounds from the Circar's Country, & Confined one of the Braminy's that was comg with the Rice, I wonder at the said Actions of your People, which I suppose has been done unknown to you, I desire you'll please to Release the said Rice & Braminy & prevent your people from doing the like for the future, & in complyance thereof our friendship will encrease.

What can I say more.

No. 239.

To Nabob Aneverdee Cawn.

Dated the 5th Nov. 1748.

I wrote your Excellency a Letter sometime past about Chinna Mutta Chetty's Effects, but as I have Rec'd no answer to it, I must suppose that Letter never came to your Excellency's hands. I must acquaint your Excellency that Chinna Mutta Chetty formerly an Inhabitant of Madrass and a great Merchant but upon that place being taken by the Enemy he retired with his Effects to Trevemboor under your Excellency's Government where he kept his Effects in houses & Godowns & some in a great Pagoda lately built by him & died there now three months agoe, which as soon as the Phousdars Meer Sulam Raphool and Lalah Alem Chend of Poonemally heard of, they sent some Moors Peons to Seize upon all the Effects belonging to the Deceas'd & to the Pandaran the Minister of that Pagoda. The Above

Phousdar's not only carryed away to Poonemelly The Goods belonging to the deceas'd Chinna Merta Chitty and his Minister, but Effects belong to Several Inhabitants formerly belonging to Madrass and Lodged there for Security till that place should be restored again to Us, and as these Inhabitants gave not the least Reason for such Robbery's and Outrages to be Committed on their Persons & Effects I do not at all doubt but your Excellency will redress them and Cause Meer Sulam Raphool and Lalah Alem Chend to Restore to ye true Heirs of Chinna Merta Chitty, all the Effects they took away with such Violence as also of the other Inhabitant. This will be an Act of Charity in your Excellency who does immediately, I make no doubt, redress all manner of Grievances as soon as they come to your knowledge & as these people were formerly belonging to Madrass, I take the liberty to write to your Excellency in their behalf. Some years agoe when the Morattas came into this Country to persecute the Moor's all the great Men at Arcott & other places receiv'd protection for themselves & their Effects in Madrass, and were kindly treated & afterwards when the troubles were Over they reliev'd into the Country again with all their Effects without the least Impediment & received all the Assistance they could desire but as Your Excellency must be fully acquainted with this before I shall not enlarge upon it & I once more entreat your Excellency will immediately Cause the Phousdars of Poonemelly to return the Effects belonging to Chinna Merta Chitty & others and in doing such a piece of Justice. I shall always pray for your Excellencys Wellfare.

What can I say more.

The Same to Sampet roy.

No. 240.

To Hodjee Haddy.

Dated the 5TH Nov^R. 1748.

Inclosed I send you Copy of a Letter I have wrote to his Excellency Nabob Anerverdy Cawn, concerning Chinna Merta Chitty's Effects that were lately Seized on by the Phousdars of Poonemelly as likewise of others late Inhabitants of Madrass & I must desire you'll assist in getting 'em restored to the right Owner's, which I am sure his Excellency will be inclind to do, when he hears the truth of the Matter.

You Need not be concern'd at our being Obliged to raise the Seize from before Pondicherry, the Contents of the lateness of the Season & the heavey Rains that fell was the Occasion of it, but as we shall begin again early in the Year, I make no doubt but we shall have better success in a short time. I dismiss your Servant, but I have been very busy is the occasion of his lazy Stay here.

What can I say more.

No. 241.

From Basavaraz the Pollygar to the Northward to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 5th Novr. 1748.

I have rec'd your honour's Letter & Observe the Contents, you was plea'd to write to me concerning the Toys that I have been Robb'd out of Chouliapah's house, as I am always a Well wisher to the English I make it my Constant Study to look upon the Affairs of those that belong to that Nation in the same light as my own, since I am so, I am sorry to hear that people have Wrongfully accused me to you of the said Robbery; On my finding in the said Letter that the Accusation is fallen upon me, I sent my people into Different parts to find out the Persons that have taken the said Toys and they have Accordingly looked out & have found One Saib Naicque the Pollygar to be the Person that has Committed the Robbery, upon which I sent my people to him & entreated him to return the Toys, he consented to it & said that part of what was

Robbed was lost & the remaining part he would return in Ten days; as I did not think proper to press him for immediate delivery, I let him have his Choice, you may be assur'd that by all means I will see the Toys returned to its Owner in a Short time, All this while I cannot discover the Robbery, but as I have now Discovered it, you may be Assur'd that I will on all Accounts get' em restored. I look upon you to be my Benefactor in all Respects so that I will in regard to your letter Endeavour Speedily to get the said Toys restored.

What can I say more.

No. 242.

To Mahomed Carnall the Governour of Pooner to the Northwd
The 10th Novr. 1748.

This is on purpose to acquaint you that Basavaraz the Pollygar at Nalloorpallum under Pooner Country has Robbed Chouliapah ourServt of some Toys & other Effects, in Order to Return which I have Wrote him a Letter but he thro' a treacherous design not carrying to return them, Wrote an Excuse that one Saib Naick the Pollygar was the Person that has taken the Toys, part of which was lost & the Remaining part he Would get Restored in a few days, but as there is a perfect Unity between Us, I take the liberty to trouble you with it, hoping that you'll be pleased to oblige the sd Basavaraz to return the said Toys and Effects without any pretence according to the List now sent you by the Bearer.

No. 243.

From Aulem Catoo a Woman & Relation to the Nabob of Cudapah.
Rec'd the 13th Novr. 1748.

The People who belong to Physician in Our Service are coming to your place in Order to buy some Goods & I hope you'll assist them in the Purchase; I hope also that you'll order your people not to hinder them in passing & repassing your hands; Pray Constantly write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 244.

To the Phousdar of Bonagary
the 15th Novr. 1748.

This is On purpose to acquaint you that I have sent my People in order to bring all our things that Cast ashore in your Limits & I hope you'll not hinder them.

What can I say more.

No. 245.

From the Governour to Wooyala Sasha Chela Naick the Pollygar to the Northward
the 16th Novr. 1748.

You know very well that one of our Briggantines which came lately to Aulembera to take in a loading of Chunam was Wreck'd & as I hear that her Wrecks are Gather'd in several Places under your district but that the people there Offered to deliver my people part only provided they would give a receipt to them for the Whole; which makes me to Write to you expecting that you'll examine into this Affair & get the Whole restored to my people who go herewith to you, in so doing you'll gain my good Will.

What can I say more.

No. 246.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF BONAGARY & PORTO NOVO TO THE GOV^R

RECD THE 18TH NOVR 1748.

I was extreamly Glad to receive your Letter wherein you was pleased to desire me to Order my people not to Offer to Stop the Company's Planks that drove ashore in my Limits, Agreeable to your request therein, I have Sent my Strict Orders to my People in Porto Novo not to Stop them nor to Offer the least molestation upon the like Occasions for the future, in case they did Stop the Planks idely, Please to Acquaint me & I will correct them. Continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 247.

TO THE PHOUSDAR OF BONAGARY

THE 24TH NOVR. 1748.

I am informed that your People at Chetra Chevedy & Mutapalem having Stopt the Comp^ys Cloth, Bales & Demand Double Customs to be paid on them, I am informed also that they demand the same Customs on the Callicoes which has been br^t to Us the last year, which makes me to Embrace this Opportunity of Writing to you hoping that you'll Strictly enjoin your People to keep up Salabad Customs in regard to Our Callicoes & let them freely be brought hither to Us.

What can I say more.

No. 248.

FROM ABDULL JALEEL CAWN'S DEPUTY AT VELLANELLOOR TO THE GOV^R

NOVR. THE 25TH 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that sometime agoe your People have forcibly carry'd away a Number of Sheeps belonging to Muddoo Palem Redy an Inhabitant Vellanelloor & where General Boscawen be seized Pondicherry I Acquainted him with it, who was thereupon please to order Rangapah the Dubash to get the said Sheeps restored, but he has not hitherto done it. As there is a perfect Unity between Us, you should not Suffer such Violence to be Committed on your people, I hope that you'll give Strict order's to get the sheeps returned to the said Redy.

What can I say more.

No. 249.

FROM THE PHOUSDAR OF BONAGARY COUNTRY TO THE GOVERNOUR

NOVR THE 27TH 1748.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your letter concerning the Juncan upon Cloth Bales. Let me take the liberty to acquaint you that the Merchants in your Limits sent for Calicoes from Woodayarpalem &ca places in the Companys Name but they wont Deliver all to the Company selling part of 'em in Porto Novo & Cuddalore on their own Account; In former times the Chief Inhabitants of this Country & One Tanapilla rented all the Juncan mettoos from the Phousdars for the time being for a long time then they Acted in respect to the Juncan's as they pleased and used to Charge the Merchants with half of the Customs that were Due in the Circars Accounts receiving the other half privately from Them for their Own Use, but since I was made the Phousdar of this Country I did not let out the Juncan Mettows for Rent but employed the said Tanapilla as my Overseer of the said Mettoos, but he has been so base as to behave himself Dishonestly & to Settle Matters with y^e

Merchants to Cheat the Circar of the Customs, The Chief Inhabitants & Conicoply's having represented all this to me Signed a Writing to prove what they have alledg'd against him to be true, upon which I have imprison'd him; As Each other's Affairs are to be look upon in the same light I thought proper to Send Mahomed Amean to you to inform you fully upon this Subject; I must acquaint you that I have rented this Country from the Circar and have been at a very great Expence already by it, I do therefore entreat you to hear What the said Mahomed Amean shall say to you & to enjoy the Company's Merchants in Cuddalore in Respect to the Juncans as you think most Convenient for me. Please to look upon my Government in the same light as your Own & Continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare & of What I can be of Service to you in these parts.

What can I say more.

No. 250.

To Muneyereddy Cawn
the 28th Novr 1748.

This is On purpose to acquaint you that Chinna Mutta Chitty who was an insurer and Respondentia Merchant retired to Poonemelly on the loss of Madrass, & there he Died but his Effects were seized by the Phousdar of that place not enquiring after his heirs, and as the said Effects were seiz'd, Our Company's Merchants &ca who had Dealings with him were Detained from Obtaining their Just Demands upon the said Effects, I have wrote this to Hajee Hady to represent this Affair, to you and procure your order to the Phousdar to Return the Effects. I had the pleasure to hear by Hajee Hady's Letter of your good will & friendship to our Nation when you was in Calcutta, As there is a perfect Unity between Us, I now send you Chinna Mutta's heirs & Attorneys agreeable to y^r desire with an order to give a Receipt to the Circar & receive the Effects & I hope you'll send me the Copy of it that they may make no further Excuse of the Effects being seiz'd to Discharge our Peoples Demand upon the said Effects; Please to look upon my Government in the same light as your Own & if you have any thing to Transact here write to me freely.

What can I say more.

No. 251.

From Mahomed Camall the Governour of Pooner to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd the 5th Decr. 1748.

I was extreamly glad to receive your honour's kind letter wherein you was pleased to desire me to get Mudoo Kishnaw's Toys which he was Robbed of by Basavaraz restored. Your honour may observe that I have been hitherto Unacquainted with the said Robbery but now agreeable to your Request I have sent my Strict orders to the sd Basavaraz to return the Toys & I hope he Will obey me; some Urgent Affairs having called me at present to Arcott, I set out from this Place on the 22^d Ultimo but before I proceeded on my Journey I left Orders with my Deputy to Use Methods to recover the said Toys. As there is a perfect Unity between us I hope you'll continue your Correspondence with me till I can pay you a Visit.

What can I say more?

No. 252.

Answer to the foregoing Letter.

I have receiv'd your Answer & observe the Contents, you was pleased to mention that you have sent an Express to Basavaraz to return the Toys that has been Stolen by him & y^t you have also Order'd your Deputy to Use Methods to recover 'em, but

the Peon informed me that during his Stay in Pooner neither the express was sent nor any method was Used by the said Deputy, which seem'd very Strange to the friendship between us, however I now hope that you 'll order your People to Recover the said Toys and Deliver them to Mudoo Kishnaw's People and send their receipt to me, in so doing you 'll oblige me. What can I say more.

Another Letter upon the same Subject to the said Mahomed Camall's Deputy.

No. 253.

FROM WOOYALA SASHACHELAPETTY NAICK THE POLLYGAR TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR.

RECD THE 7TH DEC 1748.

I have received your honours letter and Observe the Contents, wherein you are pleased to mention that your Brigantine which came to Aulembera to take in a Loading of Chunam was wrecked & That her wrecks were taken by my people who Offered to deliver part only provided your people signed a Receipt for the Whole & yt I would order them to Deliver the Whole. Let me take the Liberty to Answer that none of my People have ever had the said wrecks & if they had, indeed I should have acquainted you with it at the same time, but the truth is, that the Circar have taken Possession of 'em and already converted part of them to their Own use & the remaining part they Still detain in their Custody, Now if you write to the Circar & procure their Order for it, I on my part am Willing to order my Gomastah to make a Strict enquiry into this Affair & to find out all that may be hidden to be Delivered to your People. As I am fully inclined to keep up your friendship, I hope you'll be so good as to Cultivate it. As your Honour is Ingenious I can add Nothing further & desire you'll continue to Write to me of your health & Wellfare & of what I can be of Service to you in these parts.

What can I say more.

No. 254.

TO KING SHAWHAJEE RANJA

8TH DECR. 1748.

This morning myself, General Boscawen and some others of the Council confer'd with your Vakeel about the restoring of you to your Lawfull Kingdom, which we shall be glad to do, & give you all the Assistance in our power, but should be glad to have The Pleasure of Conferring more immediately with yourself upon that Subject, in order to concert the progrest method, for executing so laudable a Scheme, Therefore desire you would come hither as soon as possible, where I Assure you may remain as long as is convenient to you, with all Security & Secrecy.

The same substance wrote to Coayajee Rauja Ghatuck.

No. 255.

FROM SHAICK REHEAMULLA THE LATE PHOUSDAR OF TERVENDYPORAM TO THE HONBLE CHARLES FLOYER ESQR

RECD THE 11TH OF DECEMBER 1748.

I am sorry that I have not had the pleasure to hear of your health & Wellfare for a long time, I hope therefore that you'll now Write to me of it that it may Afford Joy & pleasure to me.

It was an inexpressible Joy & Satisfaction to me to hear that the Peace was Concluded between the Two Kings in England, I wish this News may be true, Be so good as to Write to me concerning it. Believe me to be your friend & keep your Corrispondence with me. God grant you a Victory thro' Jesus Christ.

What can I say more.

P.S.—On the 13th Ultimo Nabob Mahomed ally Cawn was pleased to make me the Phousdar of Calalah Country and also the Killadar of a Fort in the said Country.

No. 256.

To Shaick Reheamulla
Dated

I have Rec'd the Letter you have done me the Honor to Write, and it is with great Pleasure I hear that the Phousdar Ship of the Calalah Country as also the Killadar of a Fort & I hope the Usual friendship will continue between Us as formerly.

A Peace is not as yet Concluded between the French & Our Nation but in a good way towards it.

I wish you well, What can I say more.

P.S.—The Companys Merchants have represented to me that During your stay in Tervenduporam you was indebted to them on Acct of the Callicoes &ca for which they have Deliver'd Acct particulars to me which I now send you by the bearer & I hope you'll discharge their demands.

No. 257.

From Mahomed Najeabulla Cawn the Nabob's Youngest son to the Honble Charles Floyer Esqr.

Recd. the 12th of Decr 1748.

This is on purpose to acquaint you that by the Blessing of God as soon as Bandarys place was Conqurr'd, it was committed to my Charge & I have thereupon settled Every thing in the said place as Required. Tho' I am a Neighbour to you and a Perfect friendship Subsists between Us, yet you have never wrote me any Letters which seems very strange to me, I Judge your Omission in that Particular proceeds from the Unhappyness which attends you at present.

I have Occasion of some Almonds &ct Goods & hope you'll befriend me in sending 2 mds of Almaunds, 2 Bottles of the Oil of Cloves & 2 more of the Oil of Sinimon of the best & first sorts & let me know the Cost thereof. Constantly write to me of your health & Wellfare. What can I say more.

P.S.—When I came to your Assistance, I desired you to let me have a Clock & you promised to give it, Now I hope you'll send it to me.

N.B.—The Word Clock in the Original may be taken into Two Sences, either a clock or a Watch.

No. 258.

From Muneyereddey Cawn to the Govr
Recd. the 15th Decr 1748.

I was Extreamly glad to receive yr Letter and to know the Contents. But I am to Acquaint you that Chinna Mutta's Heirs whom I have sent for, came very late to me & before their Arrival hither, I was Ordered by Mahaphooz Cawn's Letter which he sent me agreeable to your Request to deliver the sd Chinnamutta's Effects to the Circar that it might be given to the Deceaseds Heirs by them. But if ye Heirs had come to me before that Letter arrived, I would have Deliver'd the Effects to them myself. Now I have Wrote to Mahaphooz Cawn concerning it, of which Hajee Hady will Inform you more fully I have taken your friendship much to heart & if I can be of any Service to you in these parts Write to me that I may Transact it with pleasure.

What can I say more.

No. 259.

FROM HIS HONOUR TO MUNEYERDDY CAWN.

THE 14TH OF DECR 1748.

I had the pleasure to receive your Answer to my Letter and thank you for the Civilty you have therein Expressed to me. You was pleas'd to mention that you have Wrote a Letter to Mahaphooz Cawn concerning Chinna Muttas Effects & Hajee Hady has wrote me also of it, for Which I am much Oblig'd to you and hope you'll give all Necessary Assistance in your power to get the said Effects restored to the Deceaseds Heirs who are now in yr place. If I can be of any Service to you in these Parts Write to me freely.

What can I say more.

No. 260.

TO SAMPET ROY THE DIVAN.

DECR THE 16TH 1748.

This is on purpose to Acquaint you that sometime agoe I have sent the Company's Brigantine to Aulembera to take in a Loading of Chunam but it so happen'd that she was Wreckt at that place & I hear that her Wrecks were taken by Bedy Chend the Phousdar of Madaratecam, I hope therefore that you 'll send an Order to the sd Phousdar to Deliver the said wrecks to my People I wish you health & happiness.

What can I say more.

No. 261.

FROM WOODAYAR THE POLLYGAR TO THE GOVERNOUR

THE 28TH 1748.

This is On Purpose to Acquaint you yt as a Token of my Joy for General Boscawens Arrival from Europe into these parts in order to take Pondicherry, I now send him a Present of Cloth & other Rarities by Vencataramaya hoping that you'll get the said Vencataramaya introduced to the General, & make the presents Acceptable to him ; It was an inexpressible Joy and Satisfaction to me to know by my Pollygars Letters who is in your place the manner of your Army's late entrenchment & of their Valour & bold behaviour & also of an Action by Sea against Pondicherry I dont doubt but yt as soon as the Monsoon is over, you'll be master of that Town; As you are Ingenious & each other's Limits have been looked upon in the same light for a long time, it would be Needless in me to Write to you more whan that I have Already done upon the Subject; As you have been hitherto very kind in respect to my Pollygar's Affair, I hope you 'll for the future favour him so far that his Benefits may increase. As for other matters I refer you to the Verbal Account of the said Vencataramaya. Continue to Write to me of your Health and Wellfare & of What I can be of Service to you in these parts.

No. 262.

TO MAHOMED NAJEE ABULLA CAWN THE NABOB'S SON.

THE 17TH DECR 1748.

I have Rec'd the Letter you have done me the honour to write & it is with great pleasure I hear that the Care or Government of Bandary's place was Committed to your Charge & I wish you Joy on that Account & hope you 'll continue your friendship to me;

The two Maunds of Almonds you have wrote to me for, is procured & sent you by the bearer as a present & hope you'll accept of it, but for the other things mentioned in your Letter you must wait till the Europe Ships &c are Arrived at which time I will endeavour to procure them. I wish you health and happiness. What can I say more.

No. 263.

To the Woman of Warriapollum.

Dated the 20th Decr 1748.

I have rec'd the Letter you did me the honour to Write me & I have also had some discourse with your Vakeel concerning the Pollygar that is now here, he is a Man very Unfit for the Employ he is in and instead of finding out the Authors of the Robbery's that are committed here he rather connives at them and seldom or ever brings them to practice, besides the Robbery's here are now men frequent than ever for whichreason I must expect you will remove him from being Watcher here & put in his Room Vencatachillum a man that I recommend to you fit for such an Employ, I make no doubt you will comply with my Rejecent as here has been always a very good agreement between Us. I wish you health.

What can I say more.

No. 264.

To Aleph Cawn the Phousdar at Gramam

21st Decr 1748.

I have been Informed that the People in your Limits have Stopt the Company's Grain &ct provisions Under pretence of a Duty to be paid, in which they have Acted very wrong as you are sensible of the Sallabad Customs in regard to the Companys Concerns. I hope therefore that you will give strict orders to them to let what they have stopt as above to be freely brought to us & not to take upon themselves to do the like for the future.

What can I say more.

No. 265.

From Aleph Cawn the Phousdar at Gramem

25th Decr. 1748.

I have rec'd your Honour's letter which mentioned Salabad Customs in regar to the Company's concerns Let me take the liberty to Ask you that if it has been usual to carry Grain to the Company without paying Duties can my People pretend to Stop them. I was Order'd by the Nabob's Perwanah to let the eatable Cattle which may belong to the Company to pass free, even in this, the Circar have suffered very much in their customs as several Butchers have carryed their Own Cattle in the Company's Name, I suppose you Esteem the Circar's loss as your Own. Tho' I had no Orders from my Master to let the Tobacco Bags & Wheat to pass free, yet in Regard to your Letter I let them go at present, but for the future you should procure my Masters Orders to me in Respect to such Commoditys. Concerning the Several Butchers who go to your place with their Own Cattle I desire you'll order them not to impose upon Us by making use of the Company's Name. I have Occasion for one of the best Sashe of Scarlet Cloth, you'll be so good as to send it to me by your Own People by whom I will send the price to you. Continue to write to me of your Health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

No. 266.

FROM CAYERDDEAN CAWN THE KILLADAR OF GENGEY FORT & SON IN LAW TO THE NABOB.

RECD THE 23D OF DECR 1748.

I was Extreamly Glad to receive your Letter wherein you have desired me to recover the Demand of 50 Pagodas from Nagojee Braminy & send it to you, Let me take the liberty to inform you that the said Bramy does not belong to this Place but after he was taken Prisoner for what he had done, no Body appeared against him to make any Demand upon him, wherefore I have sent him to the Catavals Choultry at Arcott, and as for as I Understand no body has hitherto appear'd against him, Which make me believe that the Cotaval has Released him by this time, however I now send you a Lettr to Najeel Cawn the Nabobs Deputy in Arcott desiring him to recover the said Demand from the Prisoner if he is Still there, and I hope he will comply with my Request. If there is any of the said Braminy's Relations in my Limits, from whom you can justly Demand the said Sum please to enquire & write to me & I will then send orders to my Deputies to Seize on them & send them to you. If you have any business to Transact at this place Write to me freely.

What can I say more.

No. 267.

TO CAYEREDEAN CAWN THE KILLADAR OF GINGEY FORT & SON IN LAW TO THE NABOB

DATED THE 25TH DECR 1748.

I take This Opportunity of writing to you to Acquaint you that one Gurveg Chitty a Merchant bought some Gold Thread to the amot of P. 50 of Mr Cooke One of the Gentlemen of Council of this Place, but when that money was due, the Gentleman sent his People to demand it from the said Gurveg Chitty who in Order to enable himself to pay the said money apply'd to One Nagojee Braminy in the Country who was indebted to him & desired him to pay it, but he instead of paying him his Lawfull Demand has not only Murdered him but took away all the Toys &ct which he had then with him. I am now Informed that the said Murderer was taken Prisoner by your people in your Limits I hope therefore that you'll be so good either to recover ye Gentleman's Demand of P. 50 from the Prisoner & send it to me or else to send the Prisoner hither that I may recover it & send him back to you. I wish you health & happiness.

What can I say more.

No. 268.

FROM SHAICK MAHOMED CAMALL THE GOVERNOUR OF POONER COUNTRY & ASSAY MASTER TO THE CIRCAR'S MINTS IN THE PROVINCE: RECEIVED.

I was Extreamly Glad to Receive yr Letter wherein you was pleased to mention yr I did not send an Express to Basavaraz concerng the Toys, but I must inform you that I sent an express to him before & sent another also now & I am certain that my Deputy will use his endeavours in that Affair and as the said Deputy is expected hither in a short time, upon his arrival I will lay my Strict commands on him in person touching this Affair. As there is a perfect Unity between Us, I look upon your Affairs in the same light as my Own & you may believe that nothing shall be wanting in me to do you all the service in my power.

Rungaya has erected a New mint in the Country which you may look upon as your Own & if he applys to you on any Affairs, I desire you to Assist him, more Especially in the purchase of silver &ca Metals.

Till an Opportunity Offers to pay you a Visit, continue to Write to me of yr health & Wellfare.

What can I say more.

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